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ALL EYES TURNED ON KING OF CASH

J. P. Morgan Holds Center of Stage at the Money Trust Investigation.

HIS TESTIMONY PRELIMINARY

Says He Favors Allowing Inter-State Corporations to Deposit Their Funds in Hands of Private Bankers.

Washington, Dec. 18.—J. Pierpont Morgan occupied the center of the stage today before the so-called money trust investigating committee of the House of Representatives. The noted financier reached Washington last night in response to a subpoena from the committee, but it was not until 2:40 o'clock this afternoon that the way was cleared for his testimony to begin.

Meantime, Mr. Morgan sat for nearly an hour listening to the mass of statistics, which Mr. Untermyer and the committee was piling up, concerning the colossal financial operations of leading New York, Chicago and Boston institutions through so-called interlocking directorates. Mr. Morgan heard his own name and that of his firm referred to many times as tables were presented showing the affiliations of that concern with many other banks, trust companies, transportation and industrial corporations. He appeared to be unmoved throughout it all, sitting surrounded by a number of his business associates, relatives and legal representatives, including J. P. Morgan, Jr., his son, and Mrs. Herbert Satterlee, his daughter.

Mr. Morgan's appearance aroused the keenest interest and crowds of spectators were on hand to observe the proceedings. It was to some extent a culmination of much that had gone before in that branch of the inquiry under the head of the concentration of money and credits.

Mr. Morgan's testimony lasted barely 20 minutes and was largely preliminary to the testimony to be given tomorrow when the committee re-assembles at 10:30 A. M.

Mr. Untermyer conducted the examination of Mr. Morgan, asking a rapid series of questions to bring out the general standing of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company, its branch connections in this country and abroad and its affiliations with many other financial institutions.

The preliminary examination brought out no clashes, Mr. Morgan responding promptly to the various queries or calling for data from some of the representatives of the firm which would be responsive to the questions propounded.

The chief point made in today's examination of Mr. Morgan was that he favored allowing inter-State corporations to deposit their funds in the hands of private bankers without restricting them to institutions under governmental supervision. He said this was a matter to be left to the discretion of the boards of directors of corporations in question. Mr. Untermyer asked lengthy questions developing this idea, to which the financier replied briefly in the affirmative as to allowing the inter-State corporations to so deposit their funds with private banking institutions.

Mr. Morgan confirmed data prepared by members of the Morgan house showing that 66 accounts with the Morgan firm in January last had deposits of $68,113,000 and that 78 accounts on November 1st, had deposits of $81,968,000. The total capital, surplus and funded debt of these depositors, Mr. Untermyer stated, was $9,765,000,000. Mr. Morgan agreed to this.

Prior to Mr. Morgan's examination the committee heard testimony bearing on the so-called concentration of money and credits. This was presented in the form of charts prepared by Philip J. Schudder, which was placed in the record. This explanation showed that the charts dealt with the affiliation of 180 directors in 18 banks and trust companies in New York, Chicago and Boston. It showed that "these 180 men held in all 746 directorships in 134 banks and trust companies, transportation and industrial corporations having a total resource or capitalization of $25,325,000,000."

It also gave in detail affiliations of J. P. Morgan & Company, and other leading financial institutions in New York, Chicago, and Boston.

Eelaborate charts were presented to House Money Trust Committee today giving lists of "inter-locking directors" in a number of leading financial and industrial institutions, also a table "showing affiliations of J. P. Morgan & Company, Guaranty Trust Company, Bankers Trust Company, First National Bank and National City Bank and other corporations through "interlocking directorates."

This was in pursuance to that branch of the committee's inquiry bearing on the so-called "concentration of money and credits."

A prepared summary of the table on inter-locking directorates says:

This table shows the affiliations of 18 selected financial institutions, namely:

J. P. Morgan & Company, New York.

First National Bank, New York.

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CONFIRMATION FIGHT BEGUN

Library of Congress

Democrats Successful in Forcing Executive Session of Senate But Results of the Encounter Are Uncertain.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The long threatened fight in the Senate over the confirmation of President Taft's nominations for office, broke on the floor of the Senate today and in the first skirmish the Democrats were successful in preventing an executive session demanded by Senator Cullom, Republican. The results of the encounter were uncertain tonight, but the Republicans threaten to continue efforts to secure an executive session for action on the scores of appropriations now pending. A Democratic caucus early in the day, in which the Democrats agreed to permit the confirmation only of Army and Navy appointments, paved the way for the fight on the floor. In the midst of a speech by Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, Senator Cullom, representing the Republican forces, who refused to accept the ultimatum of the Democrats, made a demand for an executive session. The Democrats filibustered against the motion, rushing out into the cloak rooms on the roll call to break a quorum, and succeeded in delaying action until the court of impeachment convened for the Archbald trial.

Republican leaders said tonight they would continue the demand that all appointments be treated in executive session on their merits.

"We were not going to let the Republicans put us in a corner without warning," said Senator Hoke Smith. "The President has dumped upon us the nominations which have been accumulating for the past six months. We have a committee making an investigation of them, but there are hundreds of them and we have not been able to procure the information necessary to enable us to act upon them intelligently. We are willing to take the responsibility if that is wanted. The Democrats are anxious for the confirmation of the army and navy nominations. I have prepared a motion for an executive session for action only upon those appointments, which I will offer as a substitute for any motion the Republicans may make."

On the basis of figures they have compiled from the records, Republican leaders are claiming that their Democratic colleagues are violating all precedents in holding up the nominations of President Taft. During the final sesions of the Arthur, Harrison and the two Cleveland administrations, they cite figures to show the bulk of nominations were given approval by the Senate.

The figures show the precedents in American history," said Senator Smoot, of Utah. "The Republicans are not attempting to have confirmed officials whose terms expire after the new administration begins. They are insisting that the Senate follow the custom and confirm nominations to fill places where commissions have expired, or which become vacant before the Taft administration is ended.

15 AMERICANS FIGHT 150

Hold Off Mexican Bandits Until Federal Troops Arrive

El Paso, Texas, December 17.—Fifteen ranchmen defended the Dumbre ranch, an American property in Chihuahua State, for nearly two days against 150 bandits, who later were dispersed by Federal troops.

Troops sent from Parral, nearby, through appeal from American Consul J. J. Long, routed the bandits, killing 32.

YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Senator Kenyon concluded his speech on inter-State liquor shipment bill.

Committee investigating campaign fund contributions continued its hearing, with former Senator Foraker testifying.

Court of impeachment resumed trial of Judge Archbald, with expectation of concluding testimony in defense before adjournment.

Democratic caucus reached decision to permit only confirmation of Army and Navy nominations before holiday recess.

Senator Bourne elected chairman joint Congressional Committee to promote Federal aid in highway construction.

Senator Hoke Smith spoke in support of Lever Educational Agricultural bill.

Senator Bristow introduced bill for preference primaries for appointment of postmasters.

House

Money Trust Investigating Committee resumed hearings.

Banking sub-committee decided to report unfavorably Levy bill to relieve stringency in money market by placing $50,000,000 from treasury in National banks.

Passed Burnett Literacy Immigration bill to bar immigrants over 16 who cannot read.

Resumed consideration of Indian Appropriation bill.

CONFERENCE WILL RESUME SESSIONS

It Is Thought That Turks May Be Allowed to Treat With Greeks

THE ATTITUDE OF RUSSIA

Premier's Speech In Duma Regarded As Peaceful Factor, But His Country Stands Firmly Behind the Balkan States

London, December 18.—The nature of the decision which the Turkish government arrived at today is not known, but is believed to be such as to enable the Turkish Balkan peace conference to resume its deliberations.

Considering that under the terms of the armistice Turkey is debarred from revictualling her besieged fortresses, she has little to gain by undue delay. The growing strength of the military party in Constantinople, may, however, have an unexpected influence on the development of the situation.

The Russian premier's speech in the Duma, which was awaited with much interest, is regarded as a peaceful factor, but at the same time it is a plain intimation to the world that Russia stands firmly behind the Balkan States in support of their securing all the legitimate fruits of their victory and therefore, may be regarded somewhat in the light of a warning to Austria.

The Servian government, meanwhile, is doing its utmost to avoid needlessly provoking Austria. Premier Pachitch, according to a Belgrade despatch, has written to the editors of the leading newspapers urging them in the interests of peace to refrain from publishing articles provocative to Austria, and two Belgrade papers have been seized for attacking Austria.

In accordance with the request of the delegates to the peace conference, Sir Edward Grey has appointed Herman Cameron Norman, first secretary of the British diplomatic service, to take charge of the secretariat of the conference.

The ambassadors of the powers at their meeting this afternoon confirmed their decision to maintain impenetrable secrecy concerning their discussions.

Russian Premier's Speech.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—A desire for the preservation of European peace, combined with the determination to defend with the Nation's whole strength Russia's vital interests, was the keynote of a speech on Balkan affairs made by Premier Kokovizoff, in the duma today.

M. Kokovizoff paid a tribute to the warlike virtues and the unanimity of the Balkan peoples and continued:

"The Russian government is glad it has not had to change its calm attitude. There is no ground for suspecting Russia of selfish designs or of a desire to aggravate conflicts.

"The Russian government hopes the united efforts by which the powers are inspired will help them to arrive at an agreement which will reconcile their interests with the just demands of the Balkan States."

The premier prefaced his speech by notifying the duma of the intention of the Russian government to ask for further credits to enable it to perfect its system of National defense. He concluded by congratulating Great Britain on its incentive in suggesting an ambassadorial discussion on the points at issue in Europe.

WOMAN HEARD IN SENATE.

Miss Mary Boland Testifies for Judge Archbald.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Miss Mary Boland, of Scranton, Pa., a witness today for Judge Robert W. Archbald, of the Commerce Court, who is on trial by impeachment for alleged misuse of his judicial power, is the first woman to appear before the Senate since 1905. In that year another testified at the impeachment trial of Judge Swayne, of Florida.

Judge Archbald probably will take the witness stand in his own defense before the conclusion of the trial. It is expected that about 10 witnesses will be examined following the Christmas recess.

Miss Boland is a niece of William P. Boland, one of the principal witnesses against the judge, and is a stenographer in her uncle's office. Attorney A. S. Worthington asekd her if E. J. Williams had told her, September 18, 1911, that he had just come from Judge Archbald's office and had seen there a brief the judge had prepared for the Erie Railroad in the lighterage case. She replied in the affirmative.

C. S. Woodruff, of Scranton, testified that C. G. Boland had asked him to use his influence in an effort to have Judge Archbald bring a settlement of the cases pending against the Marion Coal Company, with the understanding that the impeachment charged against Judge Archbald would not be pushed.

Mr. Woodruff said that he went to Judge Archbald and informed him of the attitude of the Boland brothers.

Fireworks.

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WATERWAY CASE IS REOPENED

General Bixby Orders Another Investigation of Beaufort to Key West Project As Result of Hearing Tuesday

Wilmington Star Bureau,
23 Wyatt Building.

Washington, D. C., December 18.—General W. H. Bixby, chief of the board of army engineers, today ordered the Board of Review to make another investigation and report on the proposed extension of the inland waterway from Beaufort to Key West, Fla.

General Bixby's action today is a result of the hearing yesterday in which a number of leading North Carolinians asked General Bixby to reopen the case.

General Bixby today paid high tribute to Hugh F. MacRae, of Wilmington, who yesterday made an excellent impression upon the army engineers.

Representative Houston, of Tennessee, said tonight that there is little doubt that the Webb liquor bill will be taken up in the House and passed immediately after Congress meets the first of January.

WARSHIP TO CONVEY BODY

Widow of Ambassador Reid Accepts The Offer of Great Britain

London, December 17.—Mrs. Whitelay Reid has decided to accept the offer by the British government of a warship to convey the body of her late husband to the United States. The arrangements will be completed between the British Foreign office and the American State Department.

Among the first wreaths to reach Dorchester House was one from Queen Mother Alexandra.

Hundreds of applications have been received already from prominent persons for seats in Westminster Abbey for the memorial service for the late Ambassador, which is to be held on Friday.

Touching tributes were paid to the late Ambassador at a large meeting today of the American Society. Many appreciative speeches were made and resolutions were adopted paying respect to his memory and expressing sympathy for his family.

The president of the gathering, Walter Blackman, said no name would take a higher place than that of Whitelaw Reid in the long list of illustrious ambassadors sent from the United States to the Court of St. James.

Consul General John L. Griffiths spoke eloquently of Mr. Reid as a powerful bond of union between the United States and Great Britain.

Charge d'Affaires Irwin B. Laughlin, R. Newton Crane, ex-president of the American Society; F. C. Van Duser and Col. Ashley Cole also spoke, the latter as a contemporary of Whitelaw Reid in New York journalism.

Sir Hiram Maxim, the staff of the embassy, and many prominent Americans were present.

A resolution of sympathy with Mrs. Reid and of appreciation of the late Ambassador's character and public services was passed by the American Luncheon Club, which is composed of representative business and professional men and of which Mr. Reid was the only honorary member.

BURNETT BILL PASSES.

Literacy Test Immgiration Measure Goes Through the House.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The House today passed the Burnett literacy test immigration bill 178 to 52.

The measure, a substitute for the Senate Dillingham bill, would bar from the United States immigrant over 16 years old unable to read, except those proving to have emigrated on account of religious prosecution at home.

OUTLINES

President Taft has decided to accept the Kent professorship of law at Yale.

The House yesterday passed the Burnett literary test immigration bill.

President-elect Wilson yesterday held a conference with Wm. F. McCombs, in New York and took up in earnest the task of picking his cabinet.

Although the decision of the Turkish government is not known, it is believed it is such that the peace conference will be able to resume its deliberations.

As the result of efforts of a committee of Wilmington business men, Chief of Engineers Bixby yesterday ordered another investigation of the inland waterway from Beaufort to Key West, Fla.

J. P. Morgan held the center of the stage at the money trust investigation yesterday, but he occupied the witness stand for only a few minutes, his testimony being preliminary to that he will give today.

Following an arrangement with Attorney General Wickersham, the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads will appeal to the Supreme Court for instructions on how to work out the dissolution plan decreed by the court.

Former Senator Joseph B. Foraker presented a statement at the campaign contributions hearing yesterday which claimed the "Standard Oil letters" were stolen from the Archbold files and sold to a representative of W. R. Hearst.

New York markets: Money on call firm, 3 3-4 to 5 per cent; ruling rate 4 3-4; closing bid 3 3-4; offered at 4. Spot cotton closed steady. Flour steady. Wheat firm; No. 2 red 1.07 and 1.08. Corn firm, 54 3-4. Turpentine easy. Rosin firm.

HARRIMAN LINES TO ASK FOR HELP

Will Appeal to Court for Instructions to Work Out Dissolution.

ARRANGED WITH WICKERSHAM

Attorney General Will Not Approve Any Plan Involving Distribution Of Southern Stock Owned by Union Pacific

New York, December 18.—Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the executive committee of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads, announced this afternoon that he had arranged with Attorney General Wickersham to appeal at once to the United States Supreme Court for instructions in working out the dissolution plan of the railroads. Mr. Wickersham, the announcement continued, has refused to approve any plan involving the distribution of Southern Pacific stock owned by the Union Pacific.

In support of his contention that Southern Pacific stock be distributed among Union Pacific shareholders, Judge Lovett cites the Northern Securities case and the cases of the Standard Oil and American Tobacco companies. These, he asserts, are fundamentally comparative with the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific dissolution.

The unusual course adopted by the Harriman officials is taken in the interests of all parties, Judge Lovett says, and in the hope that the decree of the Supreme Court may be facilitated.

Judge Lovett's statement follows:

"Immediately after the decision of the Supreme Court in the case involving the relation of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, the board of directors appointed a special committee composed of R. S. Lovett, M. L. Schiff and Frank A. Vanderlip, to work out and submit a plan for promptly and fully carrying out and conforming to the decision of the court, and the matter was at once taken up with the government. The Attorney General of the United States has refused to approve any plan involving the distribution of the $126,650,000 par value of stock of the Southern Pacific Company owned by the Union Pacific Railroad Company exclusively, to the stockholders of the latter in proportion to their holdings, whether by sale, dividend or otherwise and has declared that he would appeal in the event the district court should approve pro rata distribution.

"We find nothing in the opinion of the Supreme Court in this case to warrant the government in denying to stockholders of the Union Pacific the rights enjoyed by the stockholders of every other corporation that has been required to dispose of stock held contrary to the Sherman act, where a prorata distribution was practicable as it is in this case.

"In the Northern Securities case every stockholder of the Northern Securities Company received both Northern Pacific and Great Northern stock in preparation to their holdings of Northern Securities stock; and this deliberation was specifically approved by the Supreme Court. In the Standard Oil case the decree, which was affirmed by the Supreme Court, provided for a pro rata distribution among the stockholders of the Standard Oil.

"In the Tobacco case an unqualified deliberation was impracticable because of complications arising from outstanding mortgages, changes in plants, etc., and a division of properties by the American Tobacco Company with two new corporations was made, but the entire stock of the new corporations was sold to the holders of the common stock of the American Tobacco Company in relation to their holdings.

"In the Powder case, a plan of dissolution was accepted by the Attorney General which involved a pro rata distribution to the stockholders of the principal company.

"As the mandate of the Supreme Court has not yet been issued, we have arranged with the Attorney General for the presentation of the matter immediately to the Supreme Court, by motion, for instructions to the District Court in sending down the mandate to the court. We regard the right of the Union Pacific stockholders involved as so fundamental that we feel compelled to carry the matter to the court."

WILL PERMIT CONFIRMATION.

Democratic Senators Agree to Let Army and Navy Appointments Pass.

Washington, Dec. 18.—A decision to permit the confirmation of army and navy appointments before the holiday recess was reached today by a caucus of Democratic Senators.

All other nominations are to be held up until after the holidays.

Among those held up are the nomination of Inter-State Commerce Commissioner Clark and all nominations in the diplomatic service, including that of Larz Anderson, as ambassador to Japan.

Fireworks.

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WILSON IS PICKING CABINET

President-elect Holds Conference With McCombs and Takes Up Task In Earnest—Bryan's Name Is Mentioned

Princeton, N. J., December 18.—After a three hours' conference in New York with William F. McCombs, President-elect Woodrow Wilson announced as he rode home tonight that he had taken up in earnest the task of picking a cabinet. The Governor remained over in New York today after addressing the Southern Society there last night.

No information was forthcoming from either Mr. McCombs or the President-elect as to the names discussed for cabinet portfolios. When Mr. McCombs left the Governor, he declared that both the cabinet and legislative policies had been talked over. He was asked if Mr. Bryan's name had been mentioned in the discussion. Mr. McCombs answered in the affirmative, but declined to commit himself further.

The correspondents in questioning the Governor on his train later informed him that Mr. McCombs had said Mr. Bryan's name was mentioned in the long conference.

"Oh, well," explained the President-elect, "we talked about the conference we are going to have soon with Mr. Bryan."

Mr. Wilson intimated that no time or date had been fixed for the meeting with Mr. Bryan. It was suggested to him that Mr. Bryan was due in New York Saturday to attend a dinner in honor of Governor-elect Sulzer.

Mr. Wilson said he would be unable to attend the banquet. He did not know yet, however, whether he would see Mr. Bryan on Sunday or immediately afterward, while Mr. Bryan was in this vicinity.

The Governor was asked by one of the correspondents if Mr. McCombs would be one of the men who would go with him to Washington to help "him to run the government?"

"Of course he will," was Mr. Wilson's reply.

He would not say whether Mr. McCombs would act in an official or unofficial capacity.

While Mr. Wilson was in New York a number of politicians were strolling about the corridors of the same hotel, among them Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, National committeeman from Pennsylvania, and Edward A. Goltra, National committeeman from Missouri. Mr. Goltra told the newspaper men he had just come from Miami, Fla., where he had spent a week with Mr. Bryan purchasing some real estate.

"Mr. Bryan expressed himself quite fully to me on the political situation," said Mr. Goltra. National Chairman McCombs talked with Mr. Goltra, but it could not be learned whether the information as to Mr. Bryan's views were communicated later to the President-elect by Mr. McCombs.

"I did not learn that Mr. Goltra was at the hotel until I was about to leave for New Jersey," said the President-elect. "We are old college friends. I am sorry that I missed him."

The Governor saw Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, and Colonel E. M. House, of Austin, Texas, and talked politics with them, but he had nothing to say about it tonight.

TAFT ACCEPTS PROFESSORSHIP

President Will Take Up Duties at Yale In the Spring

Washington, December 18.—President Taft has made up his mind to accept the proffer of the Kent Professorship of Law at Yale recently made to him and probably will take up his duties at New Haven early in the Spring.

The President was said tonight to have determined upon accepting the Yale professorship for several reasons. He will not be restricted merely to lectures to Yale students, but will be permitted to lecture, if he desires, in other law schools, or upon the platform, or to engage in any other occupation which he sees fit.

The analogy between the Yale professorship and Grover Cleveland's relation with Princeton appealed to Mr. Taft strongly and when many of his close friends and advisers wrote to him approving his acceptance of the chair at Yale, he decided to take it.

The President expects to spend several weeks after March 4th in Augusta, Ga., where he has passed two Winter vacations.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 18.—The news that President Taft has made up his mind to accept the Kent professorship of law at Yale, was received with keen pleasure in Yale circles here tonight. President Arthur T. Hadley said he was "very glad" the President had made the decision and Dean Henry Wade Rogers, of the Yale Law School, said he was delighted.

WILL ACCEPT GOVERNORSHIP.

President Taft Will Appoint Col. Geo. Goethals.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Taft has received assurances that Col. George Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, will accept the post of Governor of the Panama Canal Zone. His nomination probably will be sent to the Senate after the President's return from Panama. It was said today that Lieut. Col. W. V. Judson, engineer commissioner for the District of Columbia, has been favorably thought of for a high post in the zone government by the President.

Fireworks.

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HOW W. R. HEARST GOT "OIL" LETTERS

Foraker Claims Correspondence Was Stolen and Sold to Publisher.

STATEMENT OF TRANSACTION

Two Men, Winkfield and Stump, Took Letters from Archbold Files and Sold Them, According to Senator's Statement.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Former United States Senator J. B. Foraker today produced a statement before the Senate Campaign Expenditures Investigating Committee, prepared by Gilchrist Stewart, purporting to be based on a description by W. W. Winkfield, of how Winkfield and Charles Stump took the "Archbold letters" from the Standard Oil offices and sold them to a representative of Willam R. Hearst.

"Mr. Hearst said yesterday that he did not know how the letters were procured," declared the former Senator. "Such a preposterous statement as that you might tell to the marines, but to no one else."

Mr. Foraker said Stewart in 1908 sent him a newspaper clipping in which W. A. Ullman, "attorney for C. P. Taft", was reported to have consulted with Mr. Hearst about the letters before they were published, and suggested that Ullman, Mr. Taft and John T. Cronin, the latter formerly connected politically with Mr. Hearst, be called as witnesses.

Mr. Foraker declared that about a week ago he had Mr. Stewart go to Chicago, where Winkfield was working as a waiter, and ascertain what he knew. Upon the interview, he said, Stewart had based his report. What that report contained Mr. Foraker proceeded to detail, declaring that he did not vouch for its accuracy. He added that the committee could call Winkfield. According to the statement presented, Winkfield and Stump took some letters from the Archbold files and wrote a letter to the New York American making an offer of sale and the next day called up. They insisted upon talking to Mr. Hearst, but were contented to meet a "representative". They went the next day to the private editorial office of the New York American, where a man named Eldridge talked to them. They were told that Mr. Hearst stated they were performing a great public duty. They talked as to the price with Eldridge, wanting $10,000, but getting promise of only $5,000. The next day they delivered the letters to Eldridge to be photographed and received 50 $100 bills.

The statement declared that other letters were wanted and that Winkfield and Stump were given a list of 200 Senators, Congressmen, judges and Governors, with the assurances that letters from them to Archbold would be paid for well. For one batch of such letters they claimed to have received $3,000 and for another $4,000. For the Penrose, Hanna and Foraker letters, the statement said, Eldridge paid them $7,000.

"Evidently we were the fat cattle," remarked Mr. Foraker. In all, the statement continued, $34,000 was paid to the two men. For two signatures of Mr. Archbold, standing alone, they claimed they were paid $500. The statement said the signatures were requested of the two men and that they procured them by having Mr. Archbold write his name in an album.

Both Winkfield and Stump were employed in Mr. Archbold's office at the time the letters disappeared. Winkfield, a negro, is a son of Mr. Archbold's butler.

When Senator Foraker concluded his testimony the committee adjourned indefinitely without deciding whether to call the witnesses Mr. Foraker suggested.

Foraker read to the committee from a prepared statement a resume of the report Stewart had made to him of his visit to Winkfield. Mr. Foraker said that while he did not vouch for its accuracy, he suggested that Stewart be called to tell the story first hand. The former Senator's statement first detailed the preliminary negotiations for the sale of the letters, as reported by Stewart. The principal portion giving the details of the alleged transaction after that point, as to the purchase of a number of letters was as follows:

"They finally after about one-half hour's parley compromised at $5,000. Winkfield and Stump then promised to bring the letters up the next evening. The next afternoon Stump and Winkfield took the letters out one by one from the files. They then wrapped up two copying books in some newspapers, put the whole in a large box, such as tailors deliver suits in, and came out with it when Mr. Archbold had gone home. They took it immediately to the "Little Savoy", left it with the proprietor and returned to the office; later after the office closed, secured it, and Stump carried the letters and the books to Mr. Eldridge.

"Upon his entrance on this occasion everybody seemed expecting him and he was ushered into a larger private office.

"Mr. Eldridge took them and was

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..Theatrical..

"There's a lot of brothers knockin' about the world as we don't know of."

This striking sentence spoken by the Drain-Man in the second act of "The Servant in the House" furnishes the keynote of the entire play, which comes to the Academy Saturday, matinee and night. The play, which has been acclaimed from coast to coast as one of the greatest plays in all the range of English drama, and as a lasting contribution to the English literature, is builded on the idea of universal brotherhood and it teaches with compelling force the lesson that man's highest happiness comes from unselfish service to others.

The central figure in the play is a quiet, impressive man, garbed in long, flowing Oriental robes, who has taken a place as butler in the home of an English clergyman, and who wields a ryene with whom he is brought in conryone with whom he isb rought in contact.

It must not be imagined that "The Servant in the House" is a dry preachment, a dramatized sermon, or a prosy succession of platitudinous speeches. It is a drama that throbs with life, that is instinct with power and dramatic force. And it is acted by one of the most remarkable companies recently seen on the American stage, a company which includes among its members no less than three former stars and is headed by the most popular of younger American players, Victor E. Lambert.

Seats will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning. Holiday prices will prevail at both performances. The matinee prices will be 25 and 50 cents. At night the scale will go but to $1.00.

The Pickerts All Next Week.

Extending the usual courtesy to the ladies, the clever, ever-favorite Four Pickerts will begin their annual engagement at the Academy of Music next Monday night, and will, no doubt, be greeted by a "standing room only" audience, as usual. The Pickerts will inaugurate their engagement with a fine presentation of "St. Elmo", a revival of which the attraction is making a splendid revival this season. Between acts a new and superb line of vaudeville will be presented, which will include a snappy, merry sketch by the Pickerts.

The popular attraction will hold forth all week, with a special Christmas matinee. Seats for the opening performance will be on sale at Plummer's Saturday morning.

At The Bijou

The smiling face, fat form and everlovable ways of John Bunny, the most popular of all moving picture comedians, will be seen at the fascinating Bijou again today. "Michael McShane, Matchmaker," a film of power and sweetness, heads today's fine list at the Bijou, and Bunny appears in the title role. It is a film of high class, wholesome humor, and one that afford Bunny ample chance to delight his hundreds of admirers in every

city. But today's Bijou bill is strong throughout, as every photoplay is a star, as well as one of the very latest. "Toll Gate Raiders" is a thrilling drama that will catch the fancy of all. It tells a gripping story of the day; one where a magnate tries to throttle the people, but, at last, realizes and atones. A stirring spectacre is the fire at the old toll house and the rescue of two young women. "The Shepherd's Flute" is one of the sweetest of all film stories, telling a tale of country, of city and of the glare and flare of the stage. It is also a big feature. It should be remembered, too, that the Bijou is always comfortable. No matter the nature of the weather it is warm and cozy. This is a big attraction.

At the Grand.

Today will be particularly a feature day at the Grand Theatre, no less than four pictures, all tip-toppers, one of the best songs of the season, and a beautiful musical programme making up today's bill. The headliner will be an Edison production entitled "The Latest Addition to the U. S. Navy," showing the impressive christening exercises when the new battleship New York was launched some weeks ago. The building of this battleship meant an outlay of six million dollars, fully equipped and the exercises were the most impressive that ever characterized a similar occasion. An interesting and spectacular aerial view is shown of the vessel as it glides from the dry dock, and notables who attended the ceremony, including President Taft, are shown. Another leader will be a Vitagraph "An Official Appointment," which details an interesting story and will entertain all. Two other good ones complete the big offering for the day. Mr. Chick will sing a great comic song called "Oh! Gee, Poor Me, Never No More!" Jess Dandy's big hit in the show "Marcelle". This is a catchy tune and will take well.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—Johnny Kilbane, of Cleveland, featherweight champion, and Johnny Dundee, of New York, were matched today to fight 20 rounds for the featherweight title at the Vernon arena where Kilbane won the championship from Abe Attell. The fight will take place in April, but no date was fixed except that it must be after April 15th.

"Launching of a Battleship."

Showing the launching of the U. S. S. New York—very impressive exercises, attended by notables.

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SEEK UNITED CABINET.

Wm. J. Bryan Pushes Oscar Underwood for Treasury Portfolio.

(Washington Post.)

Democratic leaders from all over the country are endeavoring to persuade President-elect Wilson to make his cabinet representative of all of the different elements of the party.

It can be stated on high authority that not only is William J. Bryan practically certain to be a member of the next cabinet, but that Mr. Bryan himself is doing his best to bring about the appointment of his one-time political foe, Representative Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, to a cabinet portfolio.

The purpose of Mr. Wilson and the party leaders who are closest to him is not only to perfect an organization that will safely weather the storm of tariff revision during the next eight months, but which will be a solid, smoothly working political machine that can get more than half of the popular vote in the next Presidential election.

The Democratic leaders in Congress are not trying to fool themselves about the election last November. Only Monday night, in a speech at the Raleigh Hotel, Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, Democratic National committeeman for Pennsylvania, and one of the Wilson pre-convention managers, said that the Democrats should not forget that Mr. Wilson will be a minority President.

"We will probably have to fight only one party four years from now," said Mr. Palmer, "and we will find it harder to win. We did not wip the Presidency last November. The Republicans threw it away, and we picked it up."

Representative Underwood, on the same occasion, said:

"The fate of the Democratic party will be decided during the next six months."

Word came to Washington yesterday that Mr. Bryan, who is now on his way to New York from Florida, to have a conference with the President-elect, held a conference with Alabama friends of Mr. Underwood, at Jacksonville, before leaving, and that the subject under discussion was the appointment of Mr. Underwood as a member of the Cabinet.

It is understood that Mr. Bryan has been, or will be, offered the place of Secretary of State and that he wants Mr. Underwood to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Present at this Jacksonville conference were Horace Hood and Gen. Graves, of Alabama.

Though Mr. Underwood continues to be reticent about his acceptance of a cabinet office, his friends know that he would be pleased if the offer should be made by Mr. Wilson and that he would doubtless accept.

The cabinet slate which has thus far been made up by Washington Democrats who have been studying the situation carefully is this:

Secretary of State, William J. Bryan; Secretary of the Treasury, Oscar W. Underwood; Postmaster General, Josephus Daniels, of North Carolina; Secretary of the Interior, Gov. John Burke, of North Dakota, or Governor George Norris, of Montana; Secretary of Agriculture, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley.

LYNCHING MOB USES TORCH.

Fires Negro Murderer's Refuge, Then Shoots Him Down.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 17.—An unidentified negro, who shot and wounded Patrolman Joseph White, after wrestling a pistol from the officer, was killed by a mob here today.

After the shooting the negro took refuge in a nearby house. The house wes set on fire and the negro was shot to death while attempting to escape.

MYSTERIOUSLY MURDERED.

Two Aged Women Found With Heads Crushed in With Axe.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 18.—Lee Moore, who discovered the dead bodies of his mother, Mrs. George Moore, and his grandmother, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, crushed with an axe when he entered their home near here today, was arrested late this afternoon following his testimony given at the coroner's inquest. Moore denied that he knew anything of the murder until he found the bodies this morning. He said he came here from Moberly to arrange Christmas for the women.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Geo. Moore, 61 years old, and her mother, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, 82 years old, were found dead in their home near here today, their heads crushed in with an axe.

The discovery was made by Lee Moore, a son who had come to prepare a Christmas tree for the women who lived alone on the outskirts of Columbia.

The police are without a clue. The women had no money. A pocketbook containing a small sum was found on the kitchen floor.

A charge of first degree murder was placed against Moore, who has been employed at Mobely, Mo., as a railroad car repairer. When he reported to the police the discovery of the bodies, he said he had arrived from Moberly this morning, but the authorities have learned, they say, that Moore came here yesterday and registered at a local hotel under an assumed name.

A search of the hotel room where Moore is alleged to have stayed last night, the police assert, revealed a quantity of blood on the towels and bed clothing and on some of the clothing that the officers say Moore wore last night. The hotel clerk indentified Moore as the occupant of the room and said Moore was nervous and acted strangely as he registered. According to the police authorities, Moore showed no emotion over the murders or his arrest.

"All they have is circumstantial evidence. I know they have convicted many men on that, but I am going to stand my ground," he said tonight.

Mrs. Wilson is survived by six daughters, besides the one slain with her. Mrs. Moore had one son besides the one accused of the murder.

POLICE CAN'T SOLVE MYSTERY

Mrs. Lynn Shot Aged Man to Protect Her Honor, She Says

Dublin, Ga., December 18.—Local police tonight still are trying to solve the mystery surrounding the killing yesterday of Frank Hightower, aged 75, by Mrs. A. L. Lynn, aged twenty-two. An infant child was the only eye witness to the killing and Mrs. Lynn today reiterated her declaration that she shot the aged man to protect her honor. She has not been arrested.

Examination of the dead man's body today disclosed the fact that he had been shot several times. Two bullet holes were found in the body, four in the back of the head and one in the face. The revolver with which Hightower was shot was equipped with a 5-cartridge cylinder.

SUPPOSED SUICIDE TURNS UP.

Wife Had Collected $2,000 Insurance on His Life.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 18.—C. W. Jordan, who, it was believed, committed suicide last April at a seaside park, reapeared at his home yesterday.

His wife had collected $2,000 insurance from a fraternal order after identifying the body of a man resembling her husband, whom she had not seen but once in three years. Several other persons agreed as to the identity.

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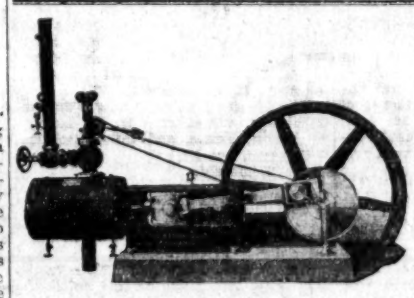

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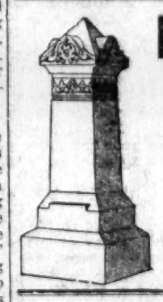

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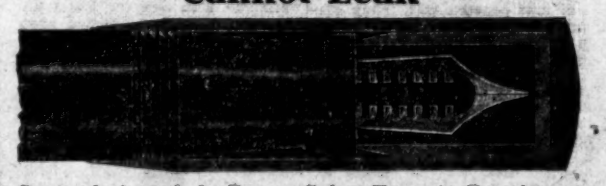

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SHOULD CONSIDER FINANCES

Estimated That Biennial Report to Legislature Will Show Shortage of $700,000—Two Pardons Are Granted.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—State officials and others in close touch with the financial affairs of the State declare that in connection with the much talked about progressive legislation regulating all manner of things about the State, there is the greatest sort of need for State finances to be considered in no half-handed sort of way. It is estimated now that a shortage of fully $700,000 will be shown when the State finances are balanced for the biennial report to the Legislature. Of this amount, of course, about $300,000 was left over from two years ago. However, in preparing the revenue and machinery act of two years ago the Legislature intended for the revenue of the past two years to meet current expenses, take care of all appropriations and liquidate the then existing shortage. This was not by any means done, however. And one of the biggest problems that the Legislature will have will be providing for this shortaage and making anything like appropriations commensurate with the demands that are sure to be made.

Two pardons and two commutations were granted today by Governor Kitchin, each of them being on recommendation of Judge, solicitor and others. The 25 year sentence of Annias Karrington, Moore county, for second degree murder, is commuted to 19 years. He was sentenced in 1896.

The sentence of Chas. Rowe, Mitchell county, to six years for manslaughter, is commuted to three years. Blaine Haynie, Madison county, sentenced last February to 18 months on the roads, for larceny, is pardoned. Also Otis Curtis, Wake county, serving since September, 1910, on an eight year sentence for second degree burglary.

DEAN GREENSBORO BAR PASSES.

At One Time Prominent in Public Affairs—Funeral of W. A. Fries.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 18.—After an illness extending over several months, Mr. George H. Gregory died yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at his home on West Market street. Mr. Gregory for many years was a prominent figure in the public affairs of Greensboro and this section. He was a lawyer of distinction and a man well known in this and other sections of the State. He was born in Washington, N. C., 77 years ago and was twice a member of the North Carolina General Assembly—in 1868 and 1870. During President Cleveland's administration he was postmaster in Greensboro. He graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1858 and studied law under the late Judge Dick. He was a law partner of the late Judge Tourgee, author of a "Fool's Errand", and whose death occurred a few years ago in southern France.

Deputy sheriffs and a deputy United States marshal under Sheriff Stafford early yesterday morning invaded the section of Guilford county known as Doggett's Mill, some seven or eight miles from town, and captured a barrel containing 50 gallons of corn liquor. The officers also found a couple of kegs, one containing whiskey and one brandy. Two men, R. A. Kirkman and C. C. Coen, were placed under arrest charged with handling the stuff and brought to town and locked up. After the officers located the whiskey the roused Kirkman and Coen from their beds.

The funeral services over the remains of Mr. W. A. Fries, who committed suicide in Raleigh Sunday night, was held this morning and the body buried in Greene Hill cemetery. Friends and relatives of the dead man have as yet been unable to understand what he meant when he wrote his wife that there were ugly charges against him which he could not entirely disprove. Mrs. Fries urged her husband not to leave Sunday, fearing that something might happen and knowing that he was unwell. He told her that he would be all right; that he would go to Raleigh and get a good night's rest.

President T. O. Troy, of the Greensboro Northern & Atlantic Railroad—a projected road tapping this place—spent yesterday afternoon and last night here on business connected with the road. Mr. Troy said, after meetings with committees had been held, that there was nothing definite to be announced at present, although after the first of the year he thought there would be developments of interest to all concerned over the construction of the proposed new road.

Two petitions in involuntary bankruptcy were filed before Judge Boyd in United States court yesterday afternoon. In one case the Farmers' Supply Company, and others prayed that McManus & Wilson, grocery merchants conducting a business near Charlotte, be adjudged bankrupt. Judge Boyd caused a subpoena to be issued returnable before Special Master W. S. O'B. Robinson at Charlotte, December 28th. In the second case the Crosby Shoe Company, Inc., and others, asked that Joe Reynolds & Company, of Davidson county, be adjudged bankrupt. A subpoena was issued and made returnable before the court here December 27th.

WOMAN GOES TO PRISON

Mrs. Eva Bailey Sentenced to Five Years for Attempted Poisoning

Shreveport, La., December 18.—Mrs. Eva Walls Bailey, convicted of having attempted to poison her husband, C. C. Bailey, a wealthy lumber man, a week before he was clubbed to death by A. L. Watson, an employe, was sentenced today to five years in State's prison. Watson was convicted of murder several weeks ago and was sentenced to be hanged.

Confessions were read at the trials of Watson and Mrs. Bailey indicating that the two had plotted to dispose of both the lumber man and Watson's wife that they might be married. Mrs. Watson died several weeks before Bailey was killed.

INCREASE FOR BUILDING.

Kinston Probably Get Total of $90,000. Insurance Men Meet.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 18.—Kinston will probably be awarded another public building appropriation by the present session of Congress. The sum of $20,000 was recommended by a sub-committee of the House committee on public buildings and grounds, for this city, and there is reasonable assurance that the continuation will be allowed. If the new appropriation does not fail of passage, Kinston will have a total allowance of $95,000 for a Federal building. Five thousand of this, however, was raised by popular subscription, and expended, together with $20,000 provided by the government for a lot, which is located at the corner of Queen and North streets. Seventy thousand dollars will be available for the construction after the appropriation just recommended is confirmed. Since the organization of the Chamber of Commerce about a year ago, that body has ben active in boosting an increase for the building, through the chamber as a whole and a committee. Recently Congressman Kitchin advised Secretary Sutton that he would probably be able to secure an additional $20,000.

Over 75 agents of the North State Life Insurance Company gathered here today from all parts of North and South Carolina, to participate in the annual convention of the field force of the company, the home offices of which are located here. A barbecue and Brunswick stew was served the visitors in the armory. A business session at 2 o'clock was attended by a large number, including the ladies of the home office and wives of the officers and stockholders.

BRYAN IN ASHEVILLE.

Auditorium Packed to Capacity—J. P. Carter Returns.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 18.—Notwithstanding rain, several hundred people gathered at the depot this morning to greet W. J. Bryan, when he came to deliver a lecture in the interest of the State Odd Fellows' Orphanage at the auditorium this afternoon. He was taken in hand by a committee of city officials and prominent citizens and taken in an auto to various points of interest. Calling on Mrs. Zeb Vance, and lunching at Battery Park Hotel with several local men and others, including Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh. The auditorium was packed to its capacity.

J. P. Carter, who was recently indicted by the Federal grand jury at Greensboro, charged with irregularities in connection with his management of the American National Bank, of Asheville, arrived here today from Muskogee, Okla., where he has been working to promote a trust company. Marshall Logan has a capias for him and it is understood it will be served in the morning and $8,000 bond will be requested.

In the case of Champ Briggs, charged with killing his brother-in-law, Baxton Shelton, in Dadison county, last May, argument began in Superior Court today. Briggs contends he shot in self defense. Shelton had started a row over politics.

BOY DEFENDS PLAN TO DIE.

Suicide Leaves Note Expounding Remarkable Views of Life and Death.

New York, Dec. 17.—After filling two sheets of foolscap with a defense of his suicidal intentions, expressed in remarkable terms, 16-year-old Joseph Dobin committed suicide by inhaling gas at his East Side home tonight.

Beside him were writings of Russian novelist, Turgenieff, on death, and his own views. "I do not want any of you to be troubled with my voluntary death," he wrote. "It is necessary to terminate an odious and useless existence, and what is necessary is just.

"There is a great deal of talk about the cowardice of taking one's life. I believe it is even still more cowardly to submit weakly to social conditions, to allow one's individuality to be crushed in the grind of commercialism. I believe a serious blunder has been made in bringing me into this world, as it has been made in the millions of toiling, drudging human beings condemned to a life of misery and degradation."

The boy, a pale-faced, undersized youngster came to this country when he was about seven years old with the rest of the Dobin family from Russia.

JACOB DUNN ALONE HELD

Other Two Mountaineers Charged With Blackmail, Released

Newark, N. J., December 18.—Jacob Dunn, alone of the three mountaineers charged with having sent threatening letters to President-elect Wilson, was held for the grand jury at the conclusion of his preliminary hearing here this afternoon.

United States Commissioner Stockton, before whom the hearing was held, found that the evidence against Davenport was insufficient. Warren Dunn, Jacob's brother, was released yesterday by the court for a similar reason.

Jacob Dunn tonight had not furnished bail and was held in confinement. He is alleged to have admitted writing the letter, but later to have denied its authorship, declaring that his former alleged statement was made under duress.

The three men were arrested last week on the charge that on November 11th, last they sent Governor Wilson a letter demanding $5,000 on penalty of death.

FOR CABINET POSITION

Name Josephus Daniels Presented to President-elect Wilson

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., December 18.—Senator Lee S. Overman will go to Trenton tomorrow to ask the President elect to give Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh, a place at his cabinet table. The junior Senator is armed with resolutions indorsing Mr. Daniels, passed by the State Press Association, all of the delegates to the Baltimore convention and the State Central Committee. At a later date the members of Congress from the State, and both Senators Simmons and Overman, will send a delegation to Trenton to urge the favorable consideration of the North Carolina man as a cabinet member. Former Governor R. B. Glenn is in Washington.

DEFRAUDED BY SHORT WEIGHTS

Worst Shortages In Canned Meats—Probably Be Legislation On This Line—Vacancies On Board of Agriculture

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., December 18.—There will be four vacancies on the State Board of Agriculture that Governor Craig will be called on to fill, or rather the terms of four of the present members expire at that time. They are H. E. Carter, First district; I. H. Kearney, Fourth district; J. P. MacRae, Seventh district; A. Cannon, Tenth district.

That people in North Carolina are being defrauded by short weight packages of canned meats and other foods is the statement made by Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, and State Food Chemist W. M. Allen. Furthermore, they insist that the State is badly in need of a law that will empower inspectors from the pure food division of the Department of Agriculture to enter premises on food manufacturing plants and inspect them for cleanliness and sanitation. There have been a number of complaints on this score as to several plants but the department is powerless to take any action. With reference to frauds in the matter of short weight packages, it seems that the shortages are along the line of putting six-ounce packages on the market as half pound and 12 and 13-ounce packages as pound packages. The department cannot stop this until the Legislature requires that all these lines of foods have weights stamped on the packages.

There are now nineteen wholesale oil companies doing business in North Carolina, compared with four in the State when the State oil inspection act was passed four years ago. Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham calls attention to this as evidence that the inspection act has had the effect of increasing the number of companies instead of giving the Standard Oil Company a greater monopoly in this State as some predicted.

A State Test Farm for experiment and demonstration work in the culture of peanuts is to be established by the State Board of Agriculture before a great while now, the farm to be selected with reference to accessibility in the peanut belt of the State. There are now seven State test farms. The Pender county farm is devoted to truck and vegetables, grapes and small fruits; the Edgecombe farm to cotton, corn and peanuts; the Iredell farm to wheat, oats, corn, hay, cotton, horses and mules, restoration and preservation of fertility, pears and peaches; the Buncombe county farm to crops adapted for that section, beef cattle and horses; the Transylvania farm to apples, reforestation and supplies for the farm; Granville farm to tobacco culture, and the Beaufort county farm to black lands.

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—Walking delegates and officials who do not work, but who use the funds of labor unions to enhance their own power even if they must resort to crime," was the government description in its argument to the jury at the "dynamite conspiracy" trial today of the 40 men charged with complicity in the McNamara dynamite plots.

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No. 51, * 5:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars Between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *12:30 A. M.
No. 64, ‡ 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ‡ 6:25 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:30 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (‡), Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, * 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P.M.
No. 59, ‡ 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, ‡10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, *10:00 A. M.
No. 57, ‡ 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No.58, ‡ 8:15 A. M.

* Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 29, 1912.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	EAST BOUND. Leave Wilmington for The Beach	WEST BOUND. Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	WEST BOUND. Leave The Beach for Wilmington
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Special for Saturdays and Sundays.

Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:00 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

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Cars marked (‡) run Sundays only.
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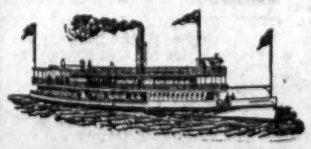

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Air Line Railway
Schedule Effective July 7th, 1912.

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DAILY SLEEPER ON NO. 45 TRAIN FOR CHARLOTTE. OPEN FOR OCCUPANCY AT 10 O'CLOCK P. M.

No. 39—3:25 P. M., arrive Hamlet, 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 11:00 P. M. Connects at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa. Also Norfolk, Richmond and All Points North. Pullman chair car between Wilmington and Charlotte.

TRAINS ARRIVE WILMINGTON.

No. 40—12:30 P. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 44—12:10 A. M. from Charlotte and intermediate points.

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W. B. & S. R. R.

Schedule in Effect Thursday, Sept. 5, 1912.

P. M.		A. M.
3:15 Lv	Wilmington	Ar. 8:15
4:05 "	Town Creek	" 7:20
4:20 "	Bolivia	" 7:05
4:55 Ar.	Southport	Lv. 6:30

Mixed train operated daily except Sunday Leaving Navasso at 8:30 A. M., arriving Southport 10:35 A. M. Leaving Southport 11:20 A. M., arriving Navasso, 1:15 P. M.

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a.m.	10:40 p.m.
Lv. Durham	7:00 a.m.	5:30 p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 p.m.	2:50 a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a.m.	6:55 p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p.m.	8:30 a.m.

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Thursday, December 19, 1912.

Our idea of a difficult proposition is to tree Prof. Charles L. Coon.

This country needs a hundred good cows to every scrub that now roams the woods.

How about a special tax to take care of Confederate soldiers for the balance of their lives?

Opportunities around Wilmington are so great that they have all the appearance of luck.

Our idea of the picture of misery is a man who cannot see some good in other men besides himself.

Some men who give their wives credit for "making" them are trying to shift the responsibility to innocent shoulders.

"South Carolina needs a Cole chute" says the Wilmington Star—and Cole says South Carolina needs a negro shooting occasionally.—Rock Hill Herald.

The ladies are going to wear coats and vests, and already the modistes are engaged in sharp rivalry as to vest effects. Here is a chance for our lady friends to have vest pockets for carrying small change.

Washington authorities have decided to break up the custom of rushing the growler. Washington is gradually preparing for President Wilson's arrival and it doesn't want him to mistake Washington for Milwaukee.

The year 1913 is going to be a lucky year. A great event scheduled for about the middle of the year is the completion of the Panama Canal. The South is bound to take on new life because of its nearness to the inter-ocean waterway.

The Sumter Item claims that a Sumter county farmer produced 856 bushels of sweet potatoes on one acre of land. Throughout eastern North Carolina yields of 400 to 600 bushels are common, while immense yields have been obtained where special efforts are made. The beauty about our lands is that their marvelous productivity is not confined to any one crop.

A study of the parcels post shows that in a great many instances it is going to be more convenient for sending packages than it will be a cheap means for doing so. It is announced that the express companies are going to reduce certain rates in order to compete with the parcels post. The government will be the only competitor of the companies, as they do not compete with each other.

So imperative is the need for legislative consideration of ways of conserving life, health, happiness, fruits of labor and natural resources and promoting equity and justice in North Carolina, so large are these problems and so brief the session that one is in doubt whether any time at all ought to be spared by the General Assembly to the consideration of political legislation. Any such time taken will be at the expense of educational legislation, meat and bread legislation, health legislation. It is inevitable, however, that there will be some political legislation considered; probably much more urged. The programme will, it is expected, contemplate additional primary legislation and laws intended to put an end to bribery and corruption in the elections. Such laws have tended greatly to purify politics where they have been operative, but like many other laws their operation is dependent very largely upon public sentiment.—Greensboro News.

NORTH CAROLINA EXPORTS

Owing to the great resources of North Carolina, there ought to be a big line of exports out of Wilmington for all parts of the world. We mentioned some of them a few days ago and among them we named manufactured tobaccos. Since then we observe from the annual report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, at Washington, that North Carolina leads all the States in the manufacture of smoking and chewing tobacco. These products represent vast wealth, and it is reasonable to say that North Carolina ought to be able to export millions of dollars worth of her own products through her own port. We quote here from the Commissioners' report:

"The States of North Carolina, Missouri, Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia and New Jersey, in the order named, were the States reporting the largest manufacture of both chewing and smoking tobacco, the quantity manufactured being as follows:

	Pounds.
North Carolina	88,862,092
Missouri	71,513,125
Ohio	42,660,356
Kentucky	38,113,187
Virginia	29,015,595
New Jersey	29,740,544

"The districts producing the largest quantity were:

	Pounds.
First Missouri	71,370,838
Fifth North Carolina	51,813,068
Fourth North Carolina	37,049,024
First Ohio	34,995,692
Fifth Kentucky	32,939,231

"The States of New York, Virginia, North Carolina, Louisiana, California and Pennsylvania, in the order named, show the greatest production of cigarettes weighing not more than three pounds per thousand:

New York	5,705,930,931
Virginia	2,348,455,425
North Carolina	1,398,564,000
Louisiana	658,348,645
California	144,302,430
Pennsylvania	104,091,205

"The three districts showing the greatest production of little cigarettes are the second Virginia, which produced 2,336,503,825, the third New York, which produced 1,975,403,145, and the first New York, which produced 1,969,742,160.

"New York State produced the greatest number of large cigarettes, showing a production of 15,553,075, of which number 11,189,805 were manufactured in the third district and 11,148,270 in the second district."

These figures are astonishing, and it does seem that where North Carolina annually manufactures tobacco valued up in the scores of millions of dollars, it ought to be one of the chief export commodities going through the port of Wilmington. A State with such great resources as North Carolina ought to furnish an immense amount of exports for Wilmington. North Carolina, we see, is the greatest tobacco manufacturing State. She ranks close to second in cotton manufacturing. She is the second furniture manufacturing State, and without occupying further space to enumerate other products that might be exported from Wilmington, we will say that tobacco, cotton goods, and furniture certainly ought to go abroad through this port when shipping begins to move through the canal.

SOME EFFECTS OF HIGH COTTON

It is pretty well agreed among the leading cotton experts in this country that the South's cotton crop this year will be something like 14,500,000 bales, and that the world's estimated production of cotton this year is 20,777,000 bales of 500 pounds. In the Wall Street Journal of December 10th, this interesting article about the South's great staple crop appeared as a review of the market conditions:

"Cotton stands out pre-eminently as one leading staple farm product whose price has advanced to a marked extent above the level of last year. At this date a year ago that staple was selling at 9.30 cents a pound, or $46.50 a bale. The spot quotation at New York now is 12.75 cents a pound, or $63.75 a bale. An increase of $17.25 a bale or 37 per cent over the price of 1911 at the same stage of the season, is bound to make considerable difference in the position of the manufacturer. Inevitably, the cost of raw material, having advanced within a year to the present higher level on account of a shorter American crop by 2,000,000 bales and comparatively smaller increase elsewhere, must cause the millmen to look to their profits. But quite outside of this, other consequences are likely to follow.

"One of these is already evident in the decision of the Fall River cotton mill operatives not to press the managers of the mills there for an advance of wages at the present time. The reason given for this change in attitude is that an advance of 10 per cent was granted last Spring. But the more potent reason is the rise in the price of cotton over $10 a bale since the middle of October. Thanks largely to this change in cost of fibre, the mills seem to be in a measure protected against agitation in favor of higher scales of wages.

"Another consequence which the trade is discussing by way of anticipation, is the influence of advanced prices upon mill consumption. The world's mill takings last year of 18,227,000 bales were on an American export basis of 10.2 cents. The October export price this year was 11.1 cents a pound, and meanwhile the prices for contract months have approached nearer to the 13-cent level. Mills will hesitate to lock up any large amount of funds in cotton at that price. Such mills as have provided themselves by hedging contracts six months ahead bought their cotton at a good deal lower figure no doubt; but many of them have not been so provident, and curtailment in some degree is sure to come with them if prices hold where they are now.

"A third effect of even greater significance to the future arises from the relation of the higher cotton prices to the next season's cotoin acreage. The rapid recovery from the 10-cent to about the 13-cent basis, with many growers having sold a good part of their cotton at 12 cents, is evidently having its effect in a larger preparation for the Spring planting season of 1913. Some are already predicting an acreage equal to if not above that of 1911, when the cotton States planted 36,681,000 acres, the largest in their history, compared with 34,097,000 acres in 1912."

If the South plants 36,681,000 acres as predicted for 1913, we can look out for an 18,000,000-bale crop and lower prices.

THE PORTS THAT GET READY.

For several years The Star has been saying that the Southern ports which would get ready for Panama canal traffic are the ones that would reap the reward in commerce. New Orleans has proven the truth of that statement. Every railroad in the country has now put on sale round trip tickets to the Panama canal by way of New Orleans. The Atlantic Coast Line and the Southern Railway will sell tickets from Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah and Jacksonville to New Orleans, whereas if any one of our ports were ready they might get a part of the tourist travel to the canal.

The canal is now nearing completion and it is quite the popular thing to take a trip to the Isthmus to see the great interocean gateway and also to see some of the Latin American countries. The tickets are so limited as to time that a fine opportunity is given to merchants and business men to take the trip with an eye to business as well as for pleasure.

When work began on the canal, New Orleans knew what it would mean to her. She began at once on a magnificent dock system and it has been completed for more than a year, waiting for the opportunity that has now come for both commerce and travel. The business men of New Orleans established a line of steamers and they are now getting passengers and freight traffic from all over the United States. That was bound to be the result, and the probability is that New Orleans is destined to be the South's dependence for the larger commercial opportunities that the Isthmus waterway will bring to this section. Just as New Orleans is now drawing on this territory for passengers, she will sooner or later be hunting up exports commodities for shipment through that port. She has the dock facilities and the steamship service, and since none of our South Atlantic ports are ready, the Crescent City is taking the lead. Already, that port has drawn on Florida and Georgia for exports, and probably North Carolina also has made shipments through that port.

If you want to be lucky in 1913, come to Wilmington.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The peanut crop this year is said to be shorter than in many years. The price is not as good as in years when the crop has been heavier. What is the answer? It is believed to be certain that peanuts will go to $1.40, but why have they hitherto not been selling at something like that figure? The wholesalers should not be blamed, it seems, for they would rather pay a good price than a bad one, but they seem to have been lacking information as to the size of the crop produced.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The action of Governor Donaghey, of Arkansas in liberating three hundred and sixty convicts in convict camps in that State as his protest against the convict lease system furnishes a striking illustration of the pardoning power, granted by the constitution of the State, may result in the violation of that constitution. In Arkansas the executive department is inhibited from interfering with prerogatives of the legislative or judicial departments, yet in this instance the Governor uses the pardoning power to, in effect, repeal State laws and to nullify the work of the courts. By his act he has not alone made abortive the verdicts of 360 juries, but he has so disturbed the orderly course of justice that the courts must feel its demoralizing influence for many months. Why appeal to juries to heed the law, and the evidence and find true verdicts when the oGvernor of the State wipes out hundreds of verdicts by the stroke of his pen and sets himself against the Legislature and above the Legislature in the use of extraordinary means to prevent the laws of the State from being operative.—Columbia State.

REAP PROFIT FROM GREENS.

Brisk Christmas Market Puts Money in Delawareans' Pockets.

Seaford, Del., Dec. 18.—With the shipment of several carloads of holly and holly wreaths from Seaford today, the season for shipping the evergreens to the Northern markets was practically brought to an end.

Owing to the fact that the Department of Agriculture placed an embargo on the exports of holly and mistletoe from several of the New England States because of the ravages of the gypsy and brown tail moths, evergreens from Sussex county swamp lands were in great demand in the city markets. The prices remained high throughout the season, the best wreaths selling from 10 to 15 cents each.

Many farmers from lower Delaware have struck it rich this season. While they gathered the holly and berries in the woods, their wives and children made them into fancy wreaths which sold for high prices. Many of them realized enough money from the industry to buy all their Christmas goods and pay the living expenses of the family for the rest of the Winter.

HOW WM. J. BRYAN IMPRESSED ME.

(By Walter Russell Kingsbury.)

It was my good fortune to have been present and hear Mr. Bryan deliver his famous lecture, "The Making of a Man", and I am impressed with the thought that he is not only America's greatest statesman, but a genius of a century. I have never before seen Mr. Bryan and the first impression made upon my mind was his magnificent face, which shone forth with the brightness and glory of his pure life, and revealed a character uncommon among men.

His theme was a great one, and his thoughts were lofty and inspiring, and rang out in messages of truth and beauty with a voice sweet and soft, yet full of strength and melody. Mr. Bryan impressed me as has no other man, and although I have heard many famous lecturers, yet none have reached my heart like Wm. Jennings Bryan. He impressed me with his great versatility of thought and his wonderful knowledge of the world's doings. Not only is he a leader of men, but he possesses a spirit of humbleness and love for his fellowmen that is remarkable. Mr. Bryan revealed a greater Christian character than what I had conceived of, though I knew he was a Christian of a very high type. This intellectual giant stood in the defense of God's cause and the Christian religion, and like a mighty thunderbolt, broke down agnosticism and infidelity and brought forth in magnificent splendor the love and glory of God.

Mr. Bryan has both gentleness and kindness in his nature, and to stand before him and hear him speak one will soon realize that they are in the presence of a good man and a great man. Mr. Bryan is a master of English and possesses a remarkable vocabulary, backed by a wonderful expression of thought which is carried to the hearts of his hearers with swiftness and with power.

Mr. Bryan is one of the world's greatest exponents of the divinity of Christ and His teachings. His analytical defense of His cause was brilliant and unanswerable. Mr. Bryan proved conclusively that the making of a man depends upon his spiritual development and that nothing in life amounts to anything without God in the Soul, and to have God out of your life all things else are failures.

Mr. Bryan taught the old-time principles of religion and honesty, and said an educated rascal was a dangerous man; and that if the love of God did not change a wicked soul there was no hope for that one's deliverance from the powers of sin. He believes that conscience is our guide and extends to all a helping hand to aid us in the "Makking of a Man."

His presentation of the trinity of man was beautiful and convincing and carried with it the glory of God. No young man could have heard it without having been greatly benefitted, and in my opinion it was not only the greatest lecture I have ever heard, but the greatest sermon on the Divinity of God and His love that ever fell from the lips of any man of any age.

SEA REVEALS AIR TRAGEDY

Clothing and Parts of Aeroplane Picked Up Off Coast

Los Angeles, Dec. 17.—Fragments of ahydro-aeroplane and clothing, which were washed ashore and identified, proved today that Aviator Horace Kearney and his reporter companion, Chester Lawrence, met disaster soon after they started last Saturday on their proposed flight over the ocean to San Francisco.

The exact circumstances surrounding their death probably always will remain unknown. They may have died within a few hours after they vanished Saturday afternoon in the mists off Point Firmin, or they may have clung to their fragile craft all through a stormy night and the next day.

MAYOR LUNN INDICTED.

Charged With Making Speech in Defiance of Police.

Little Falls, N. Y., Dec. 17.—An indictment against Mayor Lunn, of Schenectady, charged with making speeches in defiance of the police during the textile strike, was returned by the grand jury this afternoon.

The Mayor, anticipating the action, was in court with counsel when the indictment was handed up.

The Best Cough Syrup is Easily Made at Home

Costs Little and Acts Quickly. Money Refunded If It Fails.

This recipe makes a pint of cough syrup, and saves you about $2.00 as compared with ordinary cough remedies. It stops obstinate coughs—even whooping cough—in a hurry, and is splendid for sore lungs, asthma, croup, hoarseness and other throat troubles.

Mix one pint of granulated sugar with ½ pint of warm water, and stir for 2 minutes. Put 2½ ounces of Pinex (fifty cents' worth) in a pint bottle, and add the Sugar Syrup. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours. Tastes good.

This takes right hold of a cough and gives almost instant relief. It stimulates the appetite, and is slightly laxative—both excellent features.

Pinex, as perhaps you know, is the most valuable concentrated compound of Norway white pine extract, rich in guaiacol and the other natural healing pine elements.

No other preparation will do the work of Pinex in this recipe, although strained honey can be used instead of the sugar syrup, if desired.

Thousands of housewives in the United States and Canada now use this Pinex and Sugar Syrup recipe. This plan has often been imitated, but the old successful formula has never been equaled. Its low cost and quick results have made it immensely popular.

A guaranty of absolute satisfaction, or money promptly refunded, goes with this recipe. Your druggist has Pinex, or will get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

(Advertisement.)

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This December 13, 19 RANDALL

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WILSON HOME COMING.

Staunton, Va., Preparing to Care for 30,000 Visitors.

Staunton, Va., Dec. 18.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson today sent word to Staunton that he would arrive here at 7:50 P. M. Friday, December 27th, to celebrate his 56th birthday on December 28th, in his native city and be entertained in the house of his birth. Mr. Wilson will leave Trenton about 11 o'clock Friday morning, passing through Washington shortly after 3 P. M. Along the railroad route through Virginia to this city bon fires will blaze a welcome at various points as soon as darkness falls.

Preparations for the Wilson homecoming celebration are about complete. The city will be in gala attire. Two hundred 16-foot white columns, each surmounted by a large white electric globes, will line the principal streets. From these will be strung garlands of evergreens entwined with thousands of colored electric lights.

Thirty thousand visitors are expected in Staunton on Wilson day and every detail of the plans for feeding and caring for them is being carefully worked out. The railroads have decided on a reduced rate from all Virginia points and many of the visitors will be here only during the day. Governor Mann and Mrs. Mann are expected to be among the guests of the city for the occasion.

FINE CROP OF TOBACCO.

Three Acres Brought in Nearly $2,000. Young Man in Trouble.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 18.—As an instance of the remarkable productiveness and cash value of the crops of this section is the sale of tobacco made by Mr. George Glover, of Old Fields Township, in this county. Mr. Glover from three acres of tobacco sold in Wilson 4,580 pounds of the leaf for $1,878.75. He counted his stalks and they were set two feet apart in the row and the rows were four feet wide. There were over 15,000 stalks. He raised more than 1,500 pounds to the acre and sold it at an average of a little more than 41 cents a pound.

According to the statement of the county commissioners of Wilson county, the total amount of the road tax is $28,120.90, of which $4,378.44 is paid by corporations. Of the total tax Wilson township pays $12,597.79, or more than half of the tax collected from the people, exclusive of the corporations.

W. E. Pennington, a young white man from the Cross Roads section, is in jail on a charge of seduction.

A NEW YEAR DRIVE in the morning will give you an appetite for dinner and put you in trim for the other duties of the day. Our livery service is at your command, You can order and have any kind of a rig you desire. A coach for calling or a light rig for a brush on the road are equally at your servce.

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The Gripping Play of the Times
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Fine Production —:— Good Company
Holiday prices—Matinee, 25 and 50 cents; night only to $1. Seats on sale Friday at Plummer's.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as Executor of Joseph W. Gay, deceased, late of Leland, Brunswick County, I hereby notify all persons having claims against his estate to present them to me, or my attorney, for settlement on or before the 21st day of November, 1913, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

GEO. H. BELLAMY, Executor.
of Joseph W. Gay, deceased.
Town Creek, N. C.
J. BELLAMY, Att'y.,
Wilmington, N. C. no28,th-6t

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It will only cost a Postal Card worth One Cent to get the particulars.

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Merry Christmas, Indeed

is in the home illuminated with light from such beautiful and convenient fixtures as are to be had here. The beautiful soft light they give, the atmosphere of brightness and cheerfulness are well worth much more than such fixtures cost here. Just come and see them. That's all. A full line of nice portables, pocket lights, toy motors and electric engines, electric irons, and stoves, all the above articles mentioned make useful Christmas presents. Store will be open to 10 o'clock through the holidays.

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STATEMENT CONDITION

Home Savings Bank

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 26TH, 1912.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$194,089.83	Capital	$ 50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,803.54	Profits	3,409.64
Real Estate	12,060.00	Deposits	170,608.78
Cash	16,062.05		
Total	$224,018.42	Total	$224,018.42

J. W. YATES . . . . . President J. W. LITTLE . . . Vice-President
J. F. ROACHE . . . . . Cashier

BEGAN BUSINESS DECEMBER 1st, 1911.

BACK FROM WASHINGTON

Delegates to Inland Waterway Hearing Returned Yesterday—Much Encouraged and Hope for Favorable Action

President M. J. Corbett, of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, and Messrs. H. C. McQueen and M. W. Divine returned yesterday from Washington, D. C., where Tuesday they appeared before Gen. W. H. Bixby, Chief of U. S. Engineers, in a hearing on the proposed continuation of the inland waterway project from Beaufort, N. C., to Key West, Fla. Messrs. Hugh MacRae and R. A. Parsley, who were also members of the Wilmington delegation, did not return yesterday, the former having gone on to New York while Mr. Parsley stopped over in Baltimore.

The members of the Wilmington delegation feel much encouraged over the hearing and they believe that it will result in favorable action on the part of the government. General Bixby received the delegation very courteously and gave them a full hearing. It is believed that he will either recommend the continuation of the project for at least a part of the distance through which it is desired, or refer the whole matter back to the Board of Review, which reported adversely upon the project to continue the canal from Beaufort to Key West, for reconsideration.

In addition to Wilmington, Savannah, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla., were represented at the hearing by delegations and some strong arguments were presented in favor of the completion of the waterway as first planned, from New England to the gulf.

In addition to the delegates from Wilmington, Savannah and Jacksonville, Col. H. K. White, of Southport, was also present, and Mr. A. J. McKinnon, of Maxton, who was in Washington and who accompanied the Wilmington delegation to the hearing. Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, was present, and Congressmen Jno. M. Small and H. L. Godwin. Senator Simmons opened the hearing and Congressman Small was in charge of the delegations. Owing to important bills in the Senate and House Senator Simmons and Congressman Godwin could not remain for the whole hearing, but Congressman Small was present throughout the session.

Mr. Hugh MacRae made an especially strong argument for the project and a strong plea for the continuation of the canal was contained in a letter written by Mr. J. Allan Taylor, of Norfolk, which was read by Congressman Small, as Mr. Taylor could not be present. The other members of the Wilmington delegation made statements urging the necessity for the canal and Mr. McKinnon and Col. White also spoke in its favor, as did a number of the members of the other delegations. In addition each of the delegations filed prepared statements with General Bixby.

The extension of the inland waterway would mean much to Wilmington, as well as the other Southern cities along the route, and it will be urgently hoped by all who have the good of the South at heart that the government will take favorable action in regard to the project.

MAGNIFICENT FLORAL DISPLAY.

Beautiful Poinsettia at Miss Lucy B. Moore's Greenhouses.

"A thing of beauty and a joy forever."

This appellation may aptly be applied to at least one of the pre-holiday sights to be seen in Wilmington this week, reference being to the extensive greenhouses of Miss Lucy B. Moore, located at 15th and Market street. A visit to these greenhouses affords one an insight into the magnitude of this business, that, to the uninitiated, is really astonishing, and it is well worth one's time to pay a visit and take in this magnificent floral display, ready for the Christmas season.

Miss Moore has made ample preparations for taking care of the enormous holiday trade, with the finest lot of roses, calla lilies, Easter lilies, carnations, double violets, ferns, etc., that has ever been seen in the city, but the main attraction is one entire greenhouse full of beautiful poinsettia, that rare and exclusive Christmas flower. This is the first year that Miss Moore has made a specialty of growing the poinsettia, and she has the largest lot that has ever been grown in this part of the State. The beautiful scarlet flowers are of extraordinary size, some measuring 18 and 19 inches in diameter. The foliage and stems are of a deep, dark green, the leaves as large as one's hand setting off the Christmasy red of the flowers in this house, and it presents a sight that is well worth going to see.

Another entire building is filled with carnations, which are just now coming into bloom, the red ones being especially beautiful at this time. The fern house is something magnificent and should be seen to be appreciated, consisting of all the novelties from all countries in this line. A portion of another house has a fine display of beautiful white calla lilies, and another part is devoted to roses, some very magnificent specimens being in bloom at this season.

Miss Moore stated yesterday that her greenhouses under glass at present embrace something like 23,000 square feet of space, consisting of seven large houses. They are all as modernly equipped as any in the State, with hot water heating equipment throughout. A cordial invitation is always extended anyone who wishes to visit the greenhouses, and especially at this time is everyone invited to call and see the poinsettia display before the Christmas holidays.

Famous Stage Beauties.

look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blotches, Sores or Pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema and salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unequaled for piles. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy. (advertisement.)

Fireworks.

Now on sale at Warren's, Front and Market. (advertisement.)

SHORT SESSION OF COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Yesterday Lasted Less Than One Hour—Only a Few Matters Were Before the Body.

There were no matters of any special importance before the City Council in regular weekly session yesterday morning and the meeting lasted less than one hour. Mayor Joseph D. Smith presided and all members were in attendance. Following the meeting several members of the body held an informal conference relative to the purchase of an incinerator and in the discussion of the matter they all agreed that such a plant should be installed, the only question being that of money. An effort is to be made to finance the proposition within the next few weeks.

City Engineer Pillet did not file his report and plans for the proposed comfort rooms to be provided underground on Princess or Chesnut streets, just west of Front street, but the proposition was discussed informally by the Council. It is estimated that the convenience will cost not more than $1,000. Members of Council appear to be heartily in favor of the propsition and it is not improbable that the convenience will be provided.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman B. C. Moore and, seconded by Councilman P. Q. Moore, was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, owing to the purchase of the auto trucks recently put in commission in the fire department the use of five horses in said department has been discontinued, and same delivered to the scavenger department for use therein.

"Resolved, That the clerk and treasurer be instructed to transfer the value of said horses, amounting to $1,000, from the fire department to the scavenger department."

Councilman B. C. Moore also introduced the following resolution, which was adopted, being seconded by Councilman P. Q. Moore:

"Whereas, the police and fire call system, contracted for by the city with the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, has been received and accepted,

"Resolved, That the clerk and treasurer be directed to make the cash payment of $2,000 agreed upon in said contract, and that the mayor and clerk and treasurer be authorized and directed to execute two several notes for $2,250 each, payable to the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, dated the 27th day of November, 1912, payable one and two years after date, respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum."

Following adverse report on the proposition by the special committee, composed of Councilmen B. C. Moore and P. Q. Moore, Council declined to grant the request of the Atlantic Coast Line for a slight change in the position of its spur track rounding the curve at Water and Dock streets. Mayor Smith remarked that permission was granted by ordinance to the owners of the property to place an iron railing on the sidewalk on the south side of Princess street, between Front and Second, and that the first thing for the Council to do, if the owners are to be compelled to remove the railing, is to rescind the ordinance. Councilman Tiencken took issue with him, stating that if the Council did not have the right in the first instance to grant the privilege then the ordinance was not legal and could not be recognized as such. No action was taken on the matter.

Mayor Smith was elected a delegate to the meeting of the Carolina Municipal Association, which is scheduled to be held in High Point on January 7th. It has not yet been definitely determined by the officers and executive committee whether or not the meeting will be held at all. This will be decided within the next few days.

BEFORE THE RECORDER

Mr. C. W. Nixon Fined $50 and Costs For Obstructing Street

Mr. C. W. Nixon, of the Wilmington Ice & Storage Co., was found guilty in the Recorder's court yesterday morning of a charge of obstructing the sidewalk in front of his plant with two upright posts, and was fined $50 and costs. The case against Mr. W. H. Reville, manager of the plant, who was arrested Tuesday following a statement of Mr. Nixon that Mr. Reville was the man in charge of the plant, for a similar offense, was dismissed. Mr. Nixon was held by the Recorder to be in charge and he was the one found guilty of the offense. The Recorder ordered that the obstruction be removed at once and the defendant pay $50 for each day it is allowed to remain on the sidewalk.

Wm. Brown and Ben Burnett, colored, were each given a term of 30 days on the county roads for vagrancy.

The case against Love Chick, colored, charged with carrying a concealed weapon, was continued.

VETERAN DEAD OF STARVATION

Letters of Bravery and Poverty and His Discharge Found

Chicago, December 18. — Henry West, 70 years old, a veteran of the Civil War, died of starvation last night in his scantily furnished room.

Letters telling of his bravery during the war and of his recent poverty were found in the room. His honorable discharge from the United States army also was there.

West had been ill for two weeks. Last night his landlady summoned a physician of the city ambulance service to attend him. The physician treated him and gave him half a dollar, as the old man complained of hunger.

A short time later he was found dead, the coin still clutched in his hand.

Neshoba, Miss., Dec. 18.—J. P. Gormany, saw mill owner, and Andrew Bailey, an employe, were killed and several workmen were injured here today when a boiler exploded and wrecked a mill operated by Gormany. Of the injured Thomas Crocker is seriously hurt.

CONCERT LAST NIGHT.

International Operatic Company Heard at Memorial Hall.

Despite the inclement weather the afternoon and early evening large and well pleased audiences present last night to hear the concerts given by the International Operatic Company at the Memorial Hall in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The company is composed of Mrs. Tekla Farm McKinnie, soprano; Miss Rose Heidenrich, contralto; Mr. J. Allen Grubb, tenor, and Mr. Burt P. McKennie, basso, assisted by Miss Margaret Day as pianist and accompanist. The programme was of a high class, selections being from such composers as Straus, Arditi, Handel, Verdi and Donizetti, first part, opening with the "Greeting to Spring" (Strauss) and closing with the ever welcome "Sextette from Lucia" (Donizetti).

While this number is frequently employed in quartette work, this scribe misses the peculiar charm of the other parts which fill out the desired harmony and without which there is a void that renders, just to this extent, this beautiful and soul-stirring number, incomplete. Why this should be used in this manner when the equally beautiful quartette from "Rigoletta" might be employed, has always puzzled us.

Miss Tekla Farm McKinnie leaves nothing to be desired in the musical line, singing with ease and charm of manner. A clear, high soprano and under perfect control at all times, she was heard with much pleasure in her several numbers and more particularly in the sextette in which she shone brilliantly. Mr. Burt McKinnie shared in the honors of the evening and was also a great favorite with the audience, his each appearance being greeted with applause. A round full bass voice, handled with ease and skill, his rendition of "The Brigand" proved to be a treat. Miss Day, as soloist, played with much strength and fire in her one number and to which she very obligingly responded to an encore. As accompanist, however, her playing was rather heavy, frequently dominating the singer and too frequently overshadowing the more delicate notes. The encores, of which there were many, were fresh and new—a distinct departure from those generally served audiences and in which both professionals and amateurs alike so often err—it was really refreshing. The second part of the programme was a hard part of the second act of the opera of "Martha" sung in costume, which in itself, was a radical departure from the usual concert work, and proved a decided novelty which was much enjoyed.

MUSICUS.

NORTH CAROLINA THE STATE

Col. Walker Taylor Rather Be Poor Here Than Rich Elsewhere

The following from "The Passing Throng" column of yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer will be read with much interest in this city:

"Colonel Walker Taylor, of Wilmington, is a patriot alpha to omega, neckband narrative world without end.

"'I'll be derned if I wouldn't rather be a resident of North Carolina and poor as the devil than to be a millionaire and live anywhere else,' he said yesterday when he shook his head in contemplation of the injury to be done the State in the event the insurance company of which he is a big stockholder, suffers by the agitation of those from without.

"'I would no more part with my stock in that company, now one of the greatest institutions in all North Carolina, at par than I would part with gold dollars below par. I believe every cent spent in the past five years will be made back in the next three. It makes me shudder to think what evil may be done the State by hurting one of its institutions.'

"Colonel Taylor is pure patriot. Governor Aycock used to tell the story of his pardoning a prisoner from the penitentiary in North Carolina on condition that he leave the State. Of course, the fellow went to Texas. He had not been gone long until he wrote Governor Aycock. 'I will be in your office on the date of the ..... I would rather live in the penitentiary in North Carolina than on the outside anywhere else.'

"Colonel Taylor's patriotic argument is the pabulum that the emperor of Germany is giving the soldiers. They are asked to refrain from their beer in order to maintain their military supremacy. The Japs are receiving the same memorial. Colonel Taylor is beseeching the agitators to leave alone his flourishingly rich company because an injury to it will hurt the great State that he loves."

Spent the Day in City.

Mr. W. B. D. Smith, of Philadelphia, who was president of the Wilmington Sewerage Co., which recently sold its plant to the city, was here yesterday. At the time of the formal transfer of the property on October 17th, of this year, $7,500 of the purchase price was deposited in the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., to remain for 60 days to protect the city against any suits that might be brought within that period. The 60 days was up Tuesday and it is presumed that Mr. Smith came here yesterday to get the money, no suits having been started against the company since the transfer of the property. Maj. W. N. Harriss, Clerk of Superior Court, gave Mr. Smith a certificate to the effect that no suits had been started within the 60 days. Mr. Smith did not call on any of the officials at the City Hall while here.

Married Yesterday Morning

Mr. Arlie W. Stallings, of Wallace, and Miss Callie A. Winner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Winner, of Carolina Beach, were married at the home of the bride's parents yesterday morning, Rev. Father Gallagher, of this city officiating. Both the bride and groom have a large number of friends who will be interested in their marriage.

Following the wedding breakfast Mr. and Mrs. Stallings boarded Mr. Marion Winner's private launch and came to Wilmington, whence they departed for Wallace, where they will reside.

Malaria Causes Loss of Ap

The Old Standard GROVES LESS CHILL TONIC. drives laria and builds up the syste grown people and children, 5 (Advertisement.)

REPORT OF CITY FINANCES

Statement Issued Yesterday Showing Expenditures in the Different Departments for the Past Six Months.

Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, yesterday completed his statement of the amounts expended by the several departments for the six months ending November 30th, and copies were furnished each member of the Council. The statement shows the amounts appropriated for the year, audited and unexpended as follows:

General expense account—Appropriation for year, $24,841; audited $12,533; unexpended $12,608.

Police—Appropriation for year, $40,632; audited $20,997.84; unexpended $19,634.16.

Fire—Appropriation for year, $42,010; audited $22,110.25; unexpended $19,922.83.

Street cleaning—Appropriation for year $36,651; audited $20,621.80; unexpended $16,224.50.

Street lighting—Appropriation for year $18,619; audited $8,739.24; unexpended $9,879.76.

Health—Appropriation for year $21,530; audited $9,559.58; unexpended $12,168.49.

Markets—Appropriation for year $6,700; audited $1,734.57; unexpended $4,965.43.

Bonds and coupons—Appropriation for year $79,000; audited $38,585.50; unexpended $42,857.50.

The totals are as follows: Appropriation for year $269,983; audited $134,881.78; unexpended $137,660.67. Total amount relatively overdrawn $2,550.45.

In addition to the above the following amounts have been audited: Loans $40,000; water and sewerage (operating) $18,358.69; water and sewerage (bonds) $30,152.87; sewerage, $685.11; sidewalks, $6,698.21; street improvement funds $164,010.69; personal injury $3,064.05; back taxes $14.50; plumbing $65; fumigation $55; tax refunds $11; Fourth street paving $45; scavenger work $9,090.95. The total amount audited is $407,132.85.

SHIPMENT IMPROVED PLOUGHS

Farmers In Eastern Carolina Using Up-to-date Machinery

Eastern North Carolina is rapidly awakening to the importance of improved farm machinery and each year there is a marked increase in the number of modern ploughs and other farm implements sold. A few years ago practically no ploughs were sold in this section other than the one-horse "Dixie." The farmers are now buying steel ploughs and yesterday one firm, William E. Springer & Company, received two carloads of ploughs, cultivators, etc., from the Oliver factory. Soon after Christmas the farmers begin work for their truck crops and for the next two months many carloads of improved machinery will be sold in this section.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: C. C. Chadbourn and wife to Geo C. Schutt, et al., for $100 and other considerations, lot on west side of Ninth or McRae street, 132 feet south of Harnett, 99x160 feet in size. Mary Johnson to H. D. Standland and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on northwest corner of Green and Wood streets, 33x66 feet in size; Carrie W. VanBuren and Arthur B. VanBuren, her husband, to Charles Child and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Castle street, 82 1-2 feet east of 14th, 41 1-4x110 feet in size; J. D. Edwards and wife to J. T. Runge and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on west side of Seventh street, 120 feet north of Swann, 60x75 feet in size; A. J. Beach and wife to B. F. King, Jr., for $100 and other considerations, 8.5 acres of land in Masonboro township, same being lot 14 of the official division of the B. M. Wilson land; Max Warshauser to T. Northam and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on north side of Chesnut street, 132 feet west of Ninth, 33x100 feet in size.

Will Erect New Cottages

The Wrightsville Beach & Suburban Development Co., in annual session Tuesday, decided to erect four cottages on the Wrightsville Beach Extension in time for occupancy next season. Several years ago the company built 17 cottages at the resort, being the pioneer organization to develop the property at the beach. In the last few years a number of these cottages have been sold by the company. Officers for the year were elected as follows: President, J. VanB. Metts; vice president, A. B. Skelding; secretary and treasurer, Thos. H. Wright; assistant secretary and treasurer, R. H. Northrop.

Pythian District Meeting

A number of local Pythians will go to Acme this afternoon to attend the district meeting which will be held with Cronly Lodge, with Irvin B. Tucker, Esq., of Whiteville, District Deputy Grand Chancellor, presiding. The meeting will begin shortly after the arrival of the Seaboard train at Acme. Among those who will go are Col. Walker Taylor, Grand Chancellor; Capt. Thos. D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer; Mr. J. D. Nutt, Deputy Grand Chancellor, and Dr. W. C. Galloway, all of whom are on the programme for addresses. A supper will be served by the ladies at 6 o'clock. The Wilmington Pythians will return on the late train tonight.

Could Shout for Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no equal. Try it. Every bottle is guaranteed to please, or only 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy. (Advertisement.)

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¶The right to exchange 4% Convertible 6-30 Year Gold Debenture Bonds into Common Stock will expire on Dec. 19th.

¶The privilege of subscribing for new stock at par to the extent of 10% of your holdings at close of books, Dec. 19th, will not expire until Feb. 3rd, 1913. Warrants will be mailed on Dec. 30th.

¶We shall be glad to attend to any of these exchanges or subscriptions for you.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.
110 PRINCESS STREET

SEVERAL REALTY DEALS.

Property Transfers Through the D. R. Foster & Co., Agency.

Several important real estate deals have recently been made by the live real estate agency of D. R. Foster & Co. Some of the sales were consummated yesterday. Through the agency Mr. C. J. Kelloway and wife transfer to Mr. J. T. King, lot on the southwest corner of 15th and Princess streets, fronting 78 feet on Princess street and 165 feet on 15th street. The consideration was about $4,000.

Mr. King has sold a portion of the property to the Manhattan Company for about $1,000. The lot is on 15th street, between Market and Princess, 44x78 feet in size. Mr. King has recently purchased considerable property in that section of the city, an evidence of the fact that he has great faith in the development of that part of town.

The Home Savings Bank, trustee, to B. F. King, Jr., and S. Seigler, Jr., lot on corner of 16th and Grace streets. The property fronts on Grace street 55 feet and on 16th street 165 feet. The consideration was about $1,700. It is understood that the lot was bought as an investment.

B. F. King, Jr., bought from A. J. Beach and wife 8.5 acres of land in Masonboro township, on the Federal Point road, about a mile beyond Sunset Park. It is lot 14 of the B. M. Wilson land.

C. C. Chadbourn sold to Geo. W., W. L. and T. H. Schutt a lot on McRae street, between Bladen and Harnett streets, adjoining property they already own. The property is 99x160 feet in size and there are seven houses on the lot.

MR. JOSEPH H. ALLEN DEAD.

Citizen of Virginia, Well Known in This City, Died Yesterday.

Relatives in this city received a telegram yesterday morning conveying to them the sad intelligence of the death of Mr. Joseph H. Allen, of Portsmouth, Va., which occurred at his home in that city yesterday morning. He had visited in this city a number of times and was here only a few weeks ago. He was stricken with acute indigestion yesterday morning and died in a short time. The body will be taken to Richmond for interment. Mr. Allen was in the 78th year of his age. Mr. Allen was the father of Mrs. F. H. Fechtig, Messrs. F. T. and Mitchell F. Allen and the late Mrs. D. H. Penton, of this city. The bereaved have the tenderest sympathy of many friends in this city.

New Money Received.

For the benefit of patrons wishing to make Christmas presents of money the People's Savings Bank has with clever forethought received a large stock of new money of every form, from copper pennies and all denominations of silver to gold in all denominations and crisp new bank notes, also of different denominations. The custom of giving money for Christmas presents is growing each year, and the patrons of this enterprising bank will no doubt appreciate the forethought of its officers in providing the new money for the purpose.

Rain Interfered With Shoppers

The rainy weather of yesterday afternoon and last evening seriously interfered with Christmas shopping, and the crowds on the streets were smaller than for some days. Many who had planned to come downtown yesterday afternoon put their trip off until evening on account of the rain, and some of them ventured out when it stopped raining for a short time early in the evening. However, the rain soon commenced again and numbers gave up the idea of shopping for that day. From now until Christmas practically all of the stores will be open at night.

Moved to Smith's Creek.

To make room for increased trackage facilities at the downtown yards of the Atlantic Coast Line, part of the repair shops plant has been moved to the Smith's Creek yards. Hereafter the freight car repairing will be done at the Smith's Creek yards. The repairing on the passenger cars is done at the Coast Line shops in Waycross, Ga.

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SOCIETY

Mr. Charles Hall, a student at the A. & M. College, Raleigh, is home to spend the holidays with relatives.

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Mrs. M. D. Taylor, of Magnolia, is the guest of her brother, Mr. J. B. Taylor, 811 North Fifth street, for a few days.

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The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the W. L. I. armory.

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Mr. Marion J. Smith, son of Mayor Joseph D. Smith, has returned from Money School at Campbell, Va., to spend the holidays with his parents. Yesterday was young Smith's 17th birthday.

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Miss Evelyn Mathers, of London, England, and Mrs. Mathers, of New York city, have returned to the latter city after a visit here to Mrs. Allan Nichols. Miss Mathers will return to England soon after the holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. John D. Bellamy will entertain on the evening of January 1st, in honor of their daughter, Miss Mary H. Bellamy, who will return on Saturday from Washington, where she has been attending the National Cathedral School.

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The regular monthly meeting of the George Davis Chapter, Children of the Confederacy, was held yesterday afternoon at the W. L. I. armory. The meeting was well attended and of an interesting nature. Two new applications for membership were received. It was decided by the entertainment committee to hold a birthday party in January and to have each child bring a penny for every year of his or her age. The details of the party will be arranged later.

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Rev. John C. Wooten, who has been pastor of Grace Methodist church, but at the recent conference was transferrede to Elizabeth City, left yesterday for his new charge. He will return to Wilmington in a few days, however, and will spend the Christmas season with Mrs. Wooten's father, Mr. C. W. Yates. Mr. and Mrs. Wooten will go to Elizabeth City to take up their residence soon after Christmas. Rev. J. D. Bundy, who will succeed Mr. Wooten as pastor of Grace church, is expected to arrive tomorrow.

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Through the courtesy of Mr. J. P. Whyte, the ladies of Home Science Department of Sorosis and any others who may desire, are invited to visit the packing house of Swift & Co., and see the way meats are received and handled for distribution here. As this is a matter which vitally concerns all housewives it is hoped that a number will take advantage of the offer and meet at the store of the Hicks Bunting Drug Co., this morning at 10 o'clock. The ladies will go form there to the packing house.

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BAGLEY-ROGERS NUPTIALS YESTERDAY EVENING

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Rogers, No. 205 South Second street, when their daughter, Miss Orphia Rogers, became the bride of Mr. S. Wait Bagley, of Greensboro, Rev. Dr. Jno. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, performing the ceremony.

The home was very prettily decorated for the charming affair, color schemes of green and red and pink and green being utilized in the different rooms. The wedding was witnessed by quite a number of relatives and intimate friends of the bride and groom.

The bride's wedding gown had more than the usual interest attached to it, having been made from the one worn by her mother as a bride just 25 years ago yesterday. The bride carried a handsome bouquet of Bride roses and ferns. She was accompanied by Miss Annabel Campbell as maid of honor. Miss Campbell wore a charming gown of cream satin and carried a bouquet of white carnations. The groom was accompanied by Mr. Marshall Frink, of Greensboro, as best man.

After receiving the congratulations of their friends the bride and groom left on the northbound train for an extended tour. They will be at home in Greensboro after the holidays. The groom, formerly of Wilmington, is a well-known young business man of Greensboro, being a member of the firm of the Pierce Stamp Works. His bride is one of Wilmington's most charming young ladies and has a host of friends both here and elsewhere.

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MISS SARAH KENAN THE BRIDE OF MR. GRAHAM KENAN

One of the most beautiful and interesting weddings of the Winter season was that of Miss Sarah Kenan and Mr. Graham Kenan, which was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. R. Kenan, corner Third and Orange streets.

The home was very beautifully decorated with delicate and appropriate color effects in arrangement and design. In the drawing room smilax, palms and Easter lilies were used in profusion, while in the dining room pink roses and lilies of the valley formed the color scheme. Palms, evergreens and flowers covered the interior of the music room, hallway and staircase.

The bride entered on the arm of her brother, Mr. William Kenan, of Lockport, N. Y., preceded by her niece, Miss Louise Wise, the maid of honor. Accompanied by his brother, Mr. Thomas Kenan, of Atlanta, as best man, the groom entered from the library. The ushers were Messrs. Allan T. Morrison, of Asheville; Agnew H. Bahnson, of Winston-Salem; Milton Calder and Dr. J. G. Murphy, of Wilmington; Preston S. Cotten, of Norfolk, and Mr. W. P. Stacy, of Wilmington, the groom's partner in the practice of law.

Miss Kenan was becomingly attired in a gown of ivory satin trimmed with old point lace, with a bridal veil of lace worn with a wreath of orange blossoms. Miss Wise, the maid of honor, wore a handsome gown of pink charmeuse, veiled with white shadow lace, and a large picture hat trimmed with pink roses.

Rev. B. F. Huske, of Newbern, performed the ceremony, standing at one end of the drawing room under the arch of a large bay window, in front of which stood an improvised altar. On either side of an aisle formed of broad white ribbons attached to four Greek columns, down which the bridal party passed, stood the relatives of the bride and groom and their intimate friends, forming a wedding party of about 100 guests.

After the ceremony a five-course wedding breakfast was served by Demerest, the well-known caterer of Washington, D. C., following which a reception was held to which other guests had been invited. The bride and groom received the greetings of their friends under an arch of smilax and lilies in the spacious drawing room. Many beautiful and costly wedding presents were received by the happy couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenan left on the 3:25 train for a trip to points of interest in the South. The bride is one of Wilmington's most charming and popular young women, while the groom, of the firm of Kenan & Stacy, is a lawyer and business man of established reputation and marked ability. The entire community will poin in extending to the popular couple their good wishes.

Among the out-of town guests here for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. William R. Kenan, of Lockport, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schenk, of Greensboro; Mr. R. W. Herring, of Fayetteville; Dr. Owen Kenan, of New York, and Miss Emily Kenan, of Wallace.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. F. T. Croom, of Burgaw, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Mayo has gone to Winnsboro, S. C., to visit her mother, Mrs. T. J. Curtis.

Messrs. W. A. Lord and Wallace Smith are home from the University of North Carolina to spend the holidays.

—Arrivals at The Southern yesterday included J. W. Mercer, Hamlet; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hedrick, Clarkton; T. L. Johnson, Kerr; J. R. Lawson, Orrum; B. E. Mayette, Florence, S. C.; L. L. Williams, Phoenix; A. A. Lunceford, Rose Hill.

ARGUMENT IN BLAIR CASE

Case Will Hardly Reach Jury Before This Afternoon

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 18.—Evidence of both the State and defense in the case of W. F. Blair for the murder of George Thompson, was concluded just before noon today and argument of counsel was begun. The defense closed within an hour after court convened this morning and the State offered only minor corroborative testimony in rebuttal.

Character witnesses, who came from Wilkes county in behalf of Blair, were former Congressman C. H. Cowles and Congressman R. L. Doughton, ex-Sheriff Clarence Call, Sheriff Mannoy, Postmacter J. W. Jones, J. T. Hackett and several others. It was agreed that the State counsel would make four speeches while the defense announced that six of Blair's eight attorneys desired to address the jury. John N. Wilson made the opening address for the State. Judge Bynum, for the defnse, will follow. The case will hardly reach the jury before tomorrow afternoon. There is a wide belief here that the jury will accept Blair's vision of assault by Thompson and give an acquittal verdict. The State, however, holds out for a first degree verdict.

WANT CARTER HELD.

Washington Police Have Charge Against Alleged Swindler.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 18.—Major Sylvester, chief of police of Washington, D. C., has wired Chief Quigley at St. Augustine not to release Albert Carter, the alleged wire tapping swindler under any circumstances as he has a charge of swindling in that city to present against him. It is said by Pinkerton Detective Cegan that swindles aggregating $46,000 have been traced to the prisoner and that he is badly wanted by the Adams Express Company for forging and raising express money orders to an unknown amount but running high into the thousands.

Carter is still in prison awaiting extradition papers from New York. Governor Gilchrist will honor them promptly and then another effort to obtain habeas corpus writ will be made.

SUBMARINE B-2 FLOATED.

Stranded Vessel Pulled Through 200 Feet of Shallow Water—Undamaged.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—The submarine B-2, which stranded on the beach of Lynnhaven Bay a week ago Monday in a 40-mile northeast storm, was successfully floated this afternoon at 4:45 o'clock. The vessel was pulled off undamaged by the navy tug Potomac, with the navy tugs Patapsco and Somona assisting. The floating expedition wes in charge of Lieutenant Commander Luby, U. S. N.

An examination by naval officers showed the submarine to be uninjured and in as good condition as when it went ashore nine days ago. None of the machinery was taken out of the little vessel. The submarine had to be pulled through 200 feet of shallow water before its keel floated.

Chicago, December 18.—A morning newspaper that keeps a record of the birthday of men prominent in the sporting world, records the fact that Tyrus Raymond Cobb, star outfielder of the Detroit Americans and champion batsman of the American League, is 26 years old today, and that he has been playing baseball fourteen years. He began playing the game in his native town, Royston, Ga.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The work of constructing the new building for Armour & Co., the meat packers, on Water street, near Dock, is progressing very rapidly. The concrete foundation has been laid and preparations are being made for the upper structure. It is hoped to have the building completed in a short time.

ALL BONDS SOLD IN STATE.

Issue Was Bid Several Times Over—State Officers Jubilant.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 17.—Twenty-one out of 53 bidders for amounts of the $550,000 issue of 40-year 4 per cent. refunding North Carolina State bonds awarded today were successful. The bids varied in premiums, the average of those accepted being par .59. This means a premium of $5.90 on each $1,000. There were Northern bidders, but the bonds all go to North Carolinians.

There had been some apprehension about the outcome of the sale on account of the persistent bear influence of the fraudulent and repudiated bondholders' syndicate of New York in striving to harass the State in every way possible to force some compromise of the State's repudiated bonds. There were two bids for the entire issue. One by Townsend Scott & Son, New York, and Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., jointly for $551,430, and by W. B. Drake, Jr., cashier Merchants National Bank, Raleigh, personally, who bid a premium of $1,375. C. C. McDonald, bond dealer, spent 10 days in New York trying to influence New York dealers to bid, but was unsuccessful on account of the efforts of the "Repudiated Bond Syndicate" to impair North Carolina's credit. State officers and citizens generally are jubilant over the fact that the bonds were bid for more than a million and a half dollars in excess of the amount of the issue, the bids aggregating $2,193,500. The successful bidders and awards follow:

E. D. Winstead, Milton, $5,000; Geo. W. Watts, Durham, $50,000; C. N. Mason, North Harlow $3,000; H. D. Bacon, Charlotte $9,000; Jno. D. Shaw, Rockingham, $10,000; Raleigh Savings Bank & Trust Co. $26,000; Citizens' Bank, Elizabeth City $66,000; Henry D. Allen, Washington, D. C. $1,000; S. H. Chedester, Asheville $32,000; D. M. Hodges, Asheville $1,000; Mrs. Ethel Burne-Wharton, Reidsville $2,000; Mrs. Sallie W. Williamson, Ruffin $5,000; Alexander Webb, Raleigh $300,000; Mrs. Fannie T. Biggs, Williamston $1,000; C. J. Ogburn, Winston-Salem $1,500; J. T. Pullen, Raleigh $500; Murchison National Bank, Wilmington $2,500; Savings Bank & Trust Co., Elizabeth City $1,500; National Bank of Newbern $5,000; C. C. McDonald, Raleigh $2,000; Merchants' National Bank, Raleigh $35,000.

SEARCH IS ENDED

Body of Missing Contractor Found Under Tampa, Fla., House

Tampa, Fla., December 18.—Search for Libbey Augustus Sneider, a Manitoba, Canada, contractor, who disappeared several days ago, was ended today when his body was found under a house by a Cuban orange vender. An autopsy disclosed the fact that death had been due to poisoning. The man apparently had been dead for several days.

Sneider came here two weeks ago with his aged father and mother. It is said that he was suffering with mental derangement alleged to have been caused by a woman he was engaged to marry failing to appear at the altar for the ceremony.

"ONE ROUND" DAVIS OUT.

Knocked Out in First Round by Soldier Kearns.

New York, Dec. 18.—"One Round" Davis, of Buffalo, said to have won 40 battles by knockouts, was himself knocked out in the first round of an encounter with "Soldier" Kearns, of Brooklyn, here tonight.

Davis had been considered in the ring for a try-out with leading heavy weights for the title.

Kearns knocked Davis down with a left to the jaw and a left hook. He was helpless when he arose on the count of nine and the referee stopped the bout.

PRICE PUT ON FOOTPADS

Ten Days' Leave Of Absence With Pay for Kansas City Police

Kansas City, Mo., December 18.—"Beginning at once, a 10 days' leave of absence with pay will be granted to each patrolman who brings in, dead or alive, any highwayman caught seizing a purse from a woman or holding up a citizen."

This order was issued by Wentworth E. Griffin, chief of police, today in an effort to quell crime.

Dortmund, Germany, Dec. 18.—A disaster which cost 43 lives with seven men missing, besides seriously injuring many other coal miners, was caused by an explosion of black damp in the Achenbach mine near here today.

Twenty-nine bodies have been brought up and at least ten more are known to be in the galleries.

Edgefield, S. C., Dec. 18.—Three men were killed and several badly scarled when a boiler in the Barton saw mill near this place exploded late today. William Burton, owner of the plant, is said to have been fatally scalded.

New York, Dec. 18.—Allan Hawley, a New York aeronaut, was elected president of the Aero Club of America at a meeting of the board of directors today, vice Robert J. Collier, who resigned because of private business.

Constantinople, December 18.—A victory by the Turkish troops over the Greek army near Janina on Sunday, is reported today by the Turkish commander. He asserts that 400 Greeks were killed and 126 wounded.

The Chicago bureau of public efficiency says the sheriff, coroner and county treasurer employ to many persons and should cut their forces.

If a sleigh bell be tied about the neck of a bottle containing poison it will sound its warning whoever may touch the bottle day or night.

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Manicure Sets (Beautiful ones) **$2.50 to $10.00** (Regular Factory Cost values).

Scissor Sets, (Boker Brand) **$2.00 to $4.00** (Fine values).

Gillette Razors, (Nickel, silver and gold plated), **$5.00 and Upward**

Bird Scissors, 50 and 75c (In Christmas boxes).

Silver Plated Tea and Table Spoons,

Table Knives

"Majestic" Ranges.

Tools for Boys

Roller Skates (Best ball bearings), nickel plated) **Priced to $2.00**

Watches, gilt and silvered (Warranted and kept repair one year.) **$1.00**

Air Rifles, (Get one for the boy. Shoots shot). **Prices: .25, .75, $1, $1.25, $2**

Hamilton Rifles, .22 cal., Price: $1.50, $1.75

Remington Rifles, Single shot . . . **$3.00** 15-shot **$9.50, $12.50**

Marlin Rifles, repeaters, $8.50 to $12.50

Savage Rifles, $4.00 to $12.00

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON MARKET STEADIER THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET STOCKS ACTIVE NEAR CLOSE

Nearly All of the Previous Day's Loss Was Recovered, With Close Steady, Net Unchanged to 12 Points Higher.

New York, Dec. 18.—The cotton market showed a steadier tone today, recovering nearly all of yesterday's loss with the close steady, net unchanged to 12 points higher; generally 8 to 12 points above the final figures of yesterday.

The opening was steady, at a decline of 5 to 8 points under a renewal of yesterday's selling movement, which had the encouragement of easier cables and reports of slightly freer offerings of actual Liverpool. The offerings were very well taken around the initial figures, however, by covering and a demand from trade sources, with the result that prices soon turned steadier. Bullish Southern spot advices, renewed talk of small ginning returns and reports that domestic mills were calling cotton freely on every set back, contributed to the advance which carried prices about 10 to 12 points net higher during the early afternoon. Realizing by early buyers caused a reaction of 6 or 7 points from these figures, but the market firmed up again in the later trading and closed within a point or two of the best. Some of the largest recent sellers were said to be covering at times during the day, and local bulls were inclined to attribute the steadier tone of the market to a pretty well reduced scattering long interest and to rumors that contracts recently sold had gone into the hands of trade interests as a protection against contracts for forward shipments to spinners. One or two reports were received of a less active spot demand in the Eastern belt, but other advices from the same sections indicated firmness in the interior markets, while Texas claimed that exporters were outbidding domestic buyers.

General business was not active here and most of the scattered trading was supposed to reflect continued evening up of speculative accounts for over the census report of the holidays.

Spot closed steady. Middling uplands, 13.10; do. gulf, 13.35; sales, 1,042 bales.

Cotton futures closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	12.55	12.68	12.67	12.75
Jan	12.00	12.78	12.00	12.80
Feb				12.80
Mar	12.70	12.85	12.69	12.85
Apr	12.83			
May	12.69	12.86	12.69	12.85
June				12.81
July	12.63	12.80	12.63	12.80
Aug	12.55			12.69
Sept	12.00			12.11
Oct	12.00			12.11
Nov	11.87	11.97	11.87	11.97
Dec	12.90			12.90

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 13; net receipts, 21,-receipts, 21,926; sales, 500; stock, continent, 2,571.

New Orleans—Quiet, 13; net receipts, 13,-gross receipts, 13,788; sales, 800; stock, 241,423; coastwise, 197.

Mobile—Steady, 12 13-16; net receipts, 1,-995; gross receipts, 1,995; sales, 275; stock, 41,044; coastwise, 1,100.

Savannah—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 4,-836; gross receipts, 4,836; sales, 1,745; stock, 167,583; continent, 8,804; coastwise, 2,156.

Charleston—Steady, 12 11-16; net receipts, 1,119; gross receipts, 1,119; stock, 6,914.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 2,-817; gross receipts, 2,817; stock, 15,907.

Norfolk—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 2,292; gross receipts, 2,292; sales, 562; stock, 67,-569; coastwise, 2,480.

Baltimore—Nominal, 13; net receipts, 8,-078; France, 950; continent, 460.

New York—Steady, 13.10; net receipts, 230; gross receipts, 5,620; sales, 1,042; stock, 112,512; coastwise, 4,531.

Boston—Steady, 13.10; net receipts, 906; gross receipts, 7,383; sales, 17,651; stock, 6,817.

Philadelphia—Steady, 13.10; gross receipts, 2,411; stock, 864; Great Britain, 2,-411.

Texas City—Net receipts, 3,197; gross receipts, 3,197; stock, 55,623.

Brunswick—Stock, 18,014.

Aransas Pass—Stock, 7,136.

Jacksonville—Stock, 2,042.

Seattle—Net receipts, 8,750; gross receipts, 8,750; Japan, 8,750.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 61,547; Great Britain, 9,228; France, 950; continent, 11,575; Japan, 8,750; stock, 1,329,518.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 257,045; Great Britain, 33,167; France, 12,365; continent, 93,364; Japan, 25,243; Mexico, 1,100.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,-519,355; Great Britain, 2,146,360; France, 683,113; continent, 1,816,145; Japan, 111,067; Mexico, 5,000.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 12⅞; net receipts, 11,-878; gross receipts, 11,878; shipments, 13,-057; sales, 1,491; stock, 155,397.

Augusta—Steady, 53; net receipts, 2,323; gross receipts, 2,786; shipments, 1,702; sales, 1,947; stock, 118,909.

Memphis—Steady, 13¼; net receipts, 2,-569; gross receipts, 5,173; shipments, 4,011; sales, 1,800; stock, 158,284.

St. Louis—Steady, 13¼; net receipts, 5,-076; gross receipts, 3,448; shipments, 2,372; stock, 17,611.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,831; gross receipts, 1,831; shipments, 2,305; stock, 13,141.

Little Rock—Quiet, 13; net receipts, 704; gross receipts, 704; shipments, 1,141; stock, 46,547.

Total today—Net receipts, 20,381; gross receipts, 25,820; shipments, 24,888; sales, 5,238; stock, 509,889.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 18.—Flour—Steady.

Wheat—Firm. No. 2, red, 1.07@1.08; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 97½.

Corn—Firm, at 54¾.

Hides—Easy.

Leather—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, steady; refined, steady.

Butter—Weak.

Cheese—Dull and unchanged.

Coffee—Spot, firm. Rio, No. 7, 14¼; Santos, No. 4, 16½; mild, quiet; Cordova, 16¼@18.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.

Freights—Steady. Cotton by steam to Liverpool, 4c.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Easy, under scattered liquidation by tired longs, induced by lower crude markets, the break in lard and lack of outside demand. Shorts were good buyers. Closing prices were 5 lower for December and unchanged to 4 lower on the balance. Sales aggregated 14,500 barrels. Prime crude, 5.00@5.14; do. Summer yellow, 6.10@6.30; do. Summer white, 6.15; January, 6.18; February, 6.17; March, 6.21; April, 6.23; May, 6.30; June, 6.31; July, 6.34. Prime Winter yellow, 6.40@6.80; prime Summer white, 6.20@6.30.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 18.—Money on call, firm, at 3¾@5 per cent.; ruling rate, 4⅝; closing bid, 3¾; offered at 4. Time loans, steady; 60 and 90 days, 6 per cent.; six months, 5½. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange, strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8313 for sixty day bills, and 4.8560 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.80¾. Bar silver, 63¼. Mexican dollars, 49¼. Government and railroad bonds, easier.

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When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

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Wheat and Corn Finished Strong and Higher, Oats Steady and Provisions Irregular—Cash and Closing Quotations

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Wheat and corn finished strong today. Oats, steady and provisions, irregular.

Wheat closed ⅞c. over yesterday. Corn, ⅝@1¼ higher; oats, ⅝@⅞c. higher, and provisions from 2½c. up to 20c. depressed.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.08@1.09¼; No. 2, hard, 88@89; No. 1, Northern, 88¼; No. 2, do., 87@88.

Corn—No. 2, 43⅝@46¼; No. 2, white, and No. 2, yellow, nothing doing.

Oats—No. 2, white, 35@35¼; standard, 34@34½.

Closing prices:

Wheat—December, 86; May, 91⅛; July, 87⅞.

Corn—December, 48¾@49; May, 48¾@49; July, 49¾.

Oats—December, 32¾; May, 33¾; July, 33½.

Pork—January, 17.75; May, 18.00.

Lard—January, 9.82½; May, 9.85.

Ribs—January, 9.62½; May, 9.65.

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List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. King George (Br.), 2,480 tons, Burnett, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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Schr. Perry Setzer, 1,268 tons, Blake, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Richard F. C. Hartley, 398 tons, Swain, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Victor C. Records, 263 tons, Griffith, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Louise F. (Br.), 160 tons, Albury, Mafflitt & Wood.

Barques.

Bk. Madura (Nor.), 1,023 tons, Brandt, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market, steady at 38½.

ROSIN—Steady at $5.75.

TAR—Firm, $2.20 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $3.00 per barrel for hard; $4.00 for dip; $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 48¾; rosin, $6.10; tar, $1.80; crude turpentine, $3.50 for hard; $4.50 for dip; $4.50 for virgin.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	4
Rosin	23
Tar	80
Crude Turpentine	20

Receipts same day last year, 19 casks spirits turpentine; 126 barrels rosin; 61 barrels tar; 67 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, 8¾.

Receipts, 2,817; same day last year, 5,303 bales.

Total receipts since Sept. 1st, 277,534 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 335,-903 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 18.)

CORN—Firm; 90c. per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, 85c. to 95c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, dull, 50 to 60c.

BEEF—On foot, good demand, 3@4c. per lb.; dressed, 8c.

PORK—Dull, 9 to 10c.

WOOL—Burry, 15 to 18c. per lb.; free of burr, 25c. per lb.

HIDES—Green, 11c. per lb.; dry, 13 to 16 2-3c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 19 to 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 13½ to 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27@28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; 4½ to 5c. per lb.

POULTRY—Chickens, very dull; grown, 45 to 50c. Chickens, Spring, 18 to 35c. per head. Turkeys, on foot, dull, 18c.

SHEEP—Old, $1.00@2.50; lambs, $1.00@3.00.

EGGS—Dull, 25c.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 18.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,452 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 3 barrels rosin; 80 barrels tar; 30 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—365 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—2 casks spirits turpentine; 20 barrels rosin.

Total—2,817 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 23 barrels rosin; 80 barrels tar; 20 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

Market—Steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine-picked, $1.05.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine picked, $1.05.

Virginias—Prime hand-picked, 70c.; machine-picked, 65c.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, December 18.—Turpentine, easy. Machine barrels, 42.

Rosin—Firm. Strained, common to good, 6.15@6.25.

Savannah, Dec. 18.—Turpentine, firm, at 38½@39; sales, 725; receipts, 782; shipments, 141; stock, 34,037.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 6,001; receipts, 3,-769; shipments, 6,476; stock, 152,097. Quote: A, B, 5.95@6.10; C and D, 6.10; E, 6.05@6.15; F, 6.10@6.17½; G and H, 6.15@6.17½; I, 6.20; K, 6.35; M, 7.05; N, 7.25; W G, 7.35; W W, 7.45.

STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

Cutter Goes to Assistance of Unknown Vessel Near Hatteras.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—An unknown steamer is reported in distress near Hatteras. The revenue cutter Onondaga has gone to her assistance.

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Reduced rate Round Trip tickets will be on sale at all stations on the Atlantic Coast Line to all points south of the Ohio and Potomac and east of the Mississippi rivers, including Washington, D. C.; Cincinnati, Ohio; and Evansville, Ind., for all trains on December 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 31 and January 1—limited returning, to reach original starting point returning not later than midnight of January 6, 1913.

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Outburst of Excited Bidding Aroused Market From Its Lethargy—Reading the Feature—Underton Generally Heavy

New York, Dec. 18.—An outburst of excited bidding aroused the stock market today to sudden activity toward the close of what had been a dull and colorless session. With the news from Philadelphia of the increase in its quarterly dividend from 1½ to 2 per cent., Reading soared quickly from 165¾ to 170. On the first transaction after the flash from Philadelphia, it gained a point and on the next 1½. After touching the high mark of 170, a rise of 5¾ from the previous low price, it sold off again and closed at 168½, unchanged on the day. Other stocks responded to the jump in Reading and Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Lehigh Valley and Steel rose to a point above yesterday's close. This advantage was short lived. The spurt in prices induced heavy offerings and at the close a number of leading issues were selling below yesterday's final quotations.

News of the Reading dividend increase at this time came as a surprise, although there had been vague reports that with the Supreme Court's decree in the anthracite case made known, the directors might take some action favorable to stockholders at today's meeting. Earlier in the days Reading had been the weak feature among the prominent stocks, selling two points below yesterday's close.

More than half the day's business was transacted in the last hour. Previous to that time little interest was shown in the market and at times business was at a standstill. Although the market responded in spots to pressure, the bear traders were not willing to venture upon extensive dealings, and prices moved back and forth in a halting way, with a heavy undertone.

Bonds were slightly lower on small offerings. Total sales, par value, $960,000. United States 4s declined ¼ on call. Total sales today, 412,400 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	71⅝
American Agricultural	55
American Beet Sugar	40½
American Can	27½
American Can, pfd	114⅝
American Car and Foundry	53
American Cotton Oil	55
American Ice Securities	18
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	40⅜
American Smelting and Ref	67½
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	104
American Sugar Refining	116½
American Teland Tel	133¾
American Tobacco	270
Anaconda Mining Co	37½
Atchison	103⅜
Atchison, pfd	101½
Atlantic Coast Line	138
Baltimore and Ohio	104⅛
Bethlehem Steel	35¼
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87⅝
Canadian Pacific	255
Central Leather	27
Chesapeake and Ohio	78
Chicago Great Western	16⅜
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	111⅜
Chicago and North Western	135½
Colorado Fuel and Iron	33
Consolidated Gas	138½
Corn Products	13⅜
Delaware and Hudson	162¼
Denver and Rio Grande	20
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	57
Distillers' Securities	22½
Erie	30⅝
Erie, 1st pfd	48½
Erie, 2nd pfd	38
General Electric	180⅞
Great Northern, pfd	133
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	41
Illinois Central	126
Interborough-Met	17⅜
Interborough-Met., pfd	59⅛
Inter Harvester	107½
Inter Marine, pfd	18
International Paper	11½
International Pump	19
Kansas City Southern	25⅜
Laclede Gas	102
Lehigh Valley	169
Louisville and Nashville	138½
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	138
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	25⅜
Missouri Pacific	41
National Biscuit	119
National Lead	55
Nat. Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	26½
New York Central	108
New York, Out. and Western	31
Norfolk and Western	112¼
North American	78¾
Northern Pacific	119½
Pacific Mail	29⅝
Pennsylvania	121
People's Gas	110½
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	100
Pittsburg Coal	20⅝
Pressed Steel Car	34½
Pullman Palace Car	160½
Reading	166⅜
Republic Iron and Steel	25
Republic Iron and Steel, pfd	84⅛
Rock Island Co	22⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	43
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	30
Seaboard Air Line	18
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	45
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	46
Southern Pacific	105⅝
Southern Railway	27⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	79¾
Tennessee Copper	36
Texas and Pacific	21⅝
Union Pacific	155½
Union Pacific, pfd	90½
United States Rubber	45⅞
United States Steel	67
United States Steel, pfd	109
Utah Copper	55⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	46
Wabash	4
Wabash, pfd	13½
Western Maryland	45½
Western Union	72½
Westinghouse Electric	76½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	7

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Spot cotton, moderate business; easier. American middling fair, 7.62; good middling, 7.28; middling, 7.08; low middling, 6.90; good ordinary, 6.44; ordinary, 5.96. Sales, 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 7,700 American. Receipts, 57,000 bales, including 49,000 American.

Futures opened quiet and steady, and closed steady. December, 6.83½; December and January, 6.82; January and February, 6.81½; February and March, 6.81; March and April, 6.80; May, 6.79; May and June, 6.78; June and July, 6.76½; July and August, 6.74; August and September, 6.64½; September and October, 6.46½; October and November, 6.39½.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 18.—The cotton goods markets were quiet and steady. Yarns were very firm and carded yarns were higher. Worsted yarns were well sold for the heavy weight season. Jobbers reported a seasonable trade, with more than the usual attention being given to quick holiday goods.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 19, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 39 degrees; at 8 P. M., 61 degrees; maximum, 68 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 63 degrees.

Rainfall for the day .45; rainfall for the month to date, .89.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 2.3 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday, fair.

Part Calendar—Dec. 19.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:06 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 53 min.

Tides.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	5:43	5:57	12:50	11:56
Southport	3:16	3:31	9:46	9:55
Masonboro Inlet	2:47	3:02	9:17	9:26

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 18, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature. Highest today.	Temperature. Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	52	34	.0
Asheville	cloudy	50	30	.0
Atlanta	clear	60	34	.20
Augusta	cloudy	68	30	.62
Birmingham	pt cldy	58	34	.0
Boston	raining	42	38	.26
Charleston	cloudy	68	34	.14
Charlotte	cloudy	58	32	.08
Chicago	snowing	36	34	.0
Galveston	clear	60	32	.0
Jacksonville	cloudy	72	54	.26
Memphis	clear	44	40	.00
Mobile	clear	64	34	.0
Montgomery	clear	62	38	.02
New Orleans	clear	58	32	.0
New York	raining	50	44	.18
Oklahoma	clear	48	28	.0
Pittsburg	pt cldy	50	40	.28
Raleigh	raining	64	32	.08
Savannah	raining	66	32	.06
Shreveport	clear	52	40	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	34	32	.0
Washington	cloudy	52	44	.08

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I hereby enter and lay claim to the following tract of vacant land in the County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, in Federal Point Township: Beginning at Stephen Key s' and R. B. Freeman's corner at a stake 47 East 48 poles to a lightwood stump the North corner of Peter Maxwell's tract of land; thence South 25 West with the said Peter Maxwell's West line to the South corner in said line; thence about West to the Freeman line, and with said line about North to the beginning, containing Twenty (20) acres, more or less.

This, the 27th day of November, 1912.

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Guaranty Trust Company, New York.
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Chase National Bank, New York.
Astor Trust Company, New York.
New York Trust Company, New York.
Blair & Company, New York.
Speyer & Company, New York.
Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago.
First National Bank, Chicago.
Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.
Kidder, Peabody & Company, Boston and New York.
Lee Higginson & Company, Boston and New York are affiliated with the greater banks, trust companies and insurance companies, and transportation systems and producing and trading corporations and public utility corporations through representation upon their boards of directors.

The firm members and directore whose affiliations are thus shown number 180. In the aggregate they hold 385 directorships in 41 banks and trust companies having total resources of $3,832,000,000 and total deposits of $2,934,000,000, 50 directorships in 11 insurance companies having total assets of $2,646,000,000; 155 directorships in 31 railroad systems having a total capitalization of $12,193,000,000 and a total mileage of 163,200; six directorships in two express companies and four directorships in one steamship company with a combined capital of $245,000,000 and gross income of $97,000,000; 96 directorships in 28 producing and trading corporations having a total capitalization of $3,583,000,000 and total gross annual earnings in excess of $1,145,000,000 and 48 directorships in 19 public utility corporations having a total capitalization of $2,826,000,000 and total gross annual earnings in excess of $428,000,000; in all, 746 directorships in 134 corporations, having a total resource or capitalization of $25,325,000,000.

An explanation of the chart, relating to Morgan & Company, the First National Bank, the National City Bank, the Guaranty Trust Company and the Bankers Trust Company, says:

1. The table shows that J. P. Morgan & Company, the First National Bank, the National City Bank and the Guaranty Trust Company and the Bankers Trust Company, together have:

One hundred and eighteen directors in 34 banks and trust companies having total recources of $2,679,000,00 and total deposits of $1,983,000,000.

Thirty directors in 10 insurance companies having total assets of $2,283,000,000.

One hundred and five directors in 32 transportation systems having a total capitalization of $11,784,000,000 and a total mileage (excluding express companies and steamship lines) of 150,200.

Sixty-three directors of 24 producing and trading corporations having a total capitalization of $3,339,000,000.

Twenty-five directors in 12 public utility corporations having a total capitalization of $2,150,000,000.

In all, 341 directors in 112 corporations having aggregate resources or capitalization of $22,245,000,000.

2. That J. P. Morgan & Company, the Guaranty Trust Company, the Bankers Trust Company and the First National Bank together have:

Eighty-nine directors in such banks and trust companies.

Twenty nine directors in such insurance companies.

Seventy-eight directors in such transportation systems.

Forty-nine directors in such producing and trading corporations and.

Sixteen directors in such public utility corporations, in all 261 directors.

3. That J. P. Morgan & Company, the Guaranty Trust Company and the Bankers Trust Company together have:

Seventy-eight directors in such banks and trust companies.

Twenty-nine directors in such insurance companies.

Sixty-four directors in such transportation systems.

Forty-four directors in such producing and trading corporations and,

Fourteen directors in such public utility corporations.

In all 229 directors.

"Under the head of J. P. Morgan and Company," the explanation of the general table says:

The table shows further that J. P. Morgan & Company and the Guaranty Trust Company have three firm members or directors in common, Henry P. Davison, William H. Porter and Thomas W. Lamont and the two first named, together with George F. Baker, a director of the First National Bank, are voting trustees of the stock of such trust company.

That J. P. Morgan & Company and the Bankers Trust Company, have three firm members or directors in common, Henry P. Davison, William H. Porter and Thomas W. Lamont, and the first named and Daniel G. Reed are two of the voting trustees of the stock of such trust company; George W. Perkins also having been one of such voting trustees until he retired from the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company.

That J. P. Morgan & Company and the First National Bank have three firm members or directors in common, namely J. P. Morgan, Henry P. Davison and Thomas W. Lamont.

That the First National Bank and the Guaranty Trust Company have three directors in common namely, George F. Baker, Henry P. Davison and Thomas W. Lamont, two of whom, George F. Baker and Henry P. Davison, are voting trustees of stock of such trust company.

That the First National Bank and the Bankers Trust Company have five directors in common, namely, Henry P. Davison, A. B. Hepburn, F. L. Hine, Thomas W. Lamont and C. D. Norton and the first named is a voting trustee of the stock of such trust company.

That the Guaranty Trust Company and the Bankers Trust Company have nine directors in common, namely, L. C. Converse, T. D. W. Cuyler, H. P. Davison, Thomas W. Lamont, Edgard L. Marston, G. W. McGarrah, W. M. Porter, Daniel G. Reid and A. H. Higgin, and Henry P. Davison is a voting trustee of the stock of each.

That of the nine directors of the Chase National Bank, five are also directors of the First National Bank.

That two members of J. P. Morgan & Company, three directors of the First National Bank, 12 directors of the Guaranty Trust Company, four directors of the Bankers Trust Company and three directors of the National City Bank, are also directors of the National Bank of Commerce of New York.

The tables also show in detail the affiliations of each of the large financial institutions with other institutions including banks, trust companies, railway, steamship, industrial companies, etc., the explanatory details of these affiliations extending over 25 printed pages.

Mr. Morgan will resume the stand tomorrow. At the conclusion of his testimony today he had a talk with Chairman Pujo and other members of the committee and expressed the desire to have his hearing passed as rapidly as possible. He said he was anxious to conclude as he wished to carry out plans for leaving on a trip within a short time.

Philip Scudder, explaining his charts said the detailed tables showed the extent of inter-locking directorates of various financial companies and banks to be:

J. P. Morgan & Company, 64 directors in 39 corporations, having total resources of $10,036,000,000.

First National Bank, of New York, 103 directors in 49 corporations, having total assets of $11,542,000,000.

Guaranty Trust Company, of New York, 160 directors in 76 companies, total assets $17,342,000,000.

Bankers Trust Company, New York, 113 directors in 56 companies, having total assets of $11,184,000,000.

National City Bank, New York, 86 directors in 47 corporations, having total assets of $13,205,000,000.

Kuhn, Loeb & Company, 15 directors in 12 corporations, with total assets of $3,011,000,000.

National Bank of Commerce, of New York, 149 directors in 62 companies, havingt total assets of $18,165,000,000.

Hanover National Bank, of New York, 37 directors in 29 corporations, with total assets of $7,495,000,000.

Chase National Bank, of New York, 67 directors in 40 corporations, with total assets of $11,527,000,000.

Astor Trust Company, of New York, 74 directors in 47 corporations, with total assets of $12,400,000,000.

Blair & Company, of New York, 12 directors in 11 corporations, having total assets of $1,784,000,000.

Speyer & Company, 10 directors in 10 corporations, having total assets of $2,443,000,000.

Continental & Commercial National Bank, of Chicago, 49 directors in 27 corporations, with assets of $6,696,000,000.

First National Bank, of Chicago, 79 directors in 29 companies, having capitalization of $9,158,000,000.

Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, of Chicago, 28 directors in 22 companies, having total resources of $4,599,000,000.

Kidder, Peabody & Company, of Boston, 8 directors in 6 corporations, having total resources of $2,395,000,000.

Lee Higginson & Company, Boston, 11 directors in —— corporations, having resources of $3,209,000,000.

REVOLT RUMORS EXCITE LIBSON

Reports of Military Dictatorship Keep Government on Alert

Lisbon, Portugal, December 18.—A plot to establish a military dictatorship in Portugal was discovered last night. Part of the army was supposed to be implicated.

The cabinet was in session all night. Troops were kept under arms and the warships in the harbor cleared for action.

Rumors of an alarming nature spread all over the city and caused great anxiety. It was reported that a large number of conspirators had assembled in the Campo Grando Park and were about to come into the city and seize the members of the cabinet. That they intended to occupy the government buildings and declare a new government was also stated.

The Minister of War, acting under orders of the cabinet, kept certain troops whose loyalty was undoubted under arms. He also called out the whole of the republican guard and the members of the republican political secret society known as the Carbonarios, who were all armed.

The Minister of Marine ordered all the war vessels in the harbor to take favorable positions and to prepare for eventualities.

The night, however, passed off without any outbreak.

EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT

Home Talent at Goldsboro Presented Famous "Holy City"

Goldsboro, N. C., December 18.—Last night at the Messenger Opera House the Goldsboro Choral Society presented Chul's famous "Holy City," for the benefit of the new Goldsboro Hospital. It was by far the best home talent ever presented here. The chorus was composed of fifty voices and their work clearly showed the most careful and intelligent training.

The music was furnished by the Gehres orchestra and their selections added greatly to the success of the play. The work of the orchestra and chorus was directed by Prof. J. W. Thompson and the success of all was due in a great part to his excellent work.

What Happened to Him?

"Oh Gee! Poor Me, Never No More," Mr. Chick's song at the Grand today. A big comic hit. (advertisement.)

IF YOU HAVE MONEY TO INVEST

Write or call to see us. A part of the business of this bank is to direct the investment of money. We have some high-class County and School Bonds, yielding 5 per cent interest, payable semi-annually by coupons. These can be supplied without premium and we recommend them. : : : : : : : : : :

The Southern National Bank

HOW W. R. HEARST GOT "DIL" LETTERS

(Continued from Page One.)

gone about an hour and brought from an adjoining room 50 $100 bills, which he gave Stump. He asked him if he could leave the letters there until the next evening and to come at 6 o'clock with his partner. He next had the money changed into smaller denominations and had a big time that evening. The next evening Stump went to see Mr. Eldridge and secured the letters and files.

"Eldridge and another man informed him that they were of great value and asked him if he could get other correspondence. He informed them he could. They then gave him a list of prominent Congressmen, Senators, judges, Governors and some other men of prominence, telling him to go as far back in the files as possible and look them up. Anything found concerning them was to be brought to Mr. Eldridge, photographed and returned and paid for, according to its value. This list included the names of over 200 men.

"Finally they became suspicious of each other and put those they had still on hand in a safety deposit box, as the depository of all three and with the agreement that it required the signature of all three to open or secure the contents. The other engagements were practically repetitions of the first. They would take letters out and nothing was thought of their taking papers out because they were always doing such errands. They would be photographed and returned. In all they received $34,000.

"When they finally were apprehended they went into hiding, fearing arrest for the time being. When the storm had blown over, they offered their entire batch of remaining letters to Mr. Eldridge for Mr. Hearst for $15,000. These negotiations fell through, except they sold a few Penrose letters for $4,000 to a representative of Mr. Hearst. Upon advice of Winkfield, they decided to hold all of the remaining letters for $15,000.

"After the publication of a new batch of their stolen letters had raised such a furore, they raised the price to $20,000. Becoming in dire straits they sold a few to a representative of Mr. Hearst for $3,500 last Spring. Negotiations have been begun for the sale of the remaining 70-odd."

SHIP'S LOG LIKE DIME NOVEL.

Entries Record Suicide, Murder, Stabbing and Fatal Accident.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—The log of the liner Korea, which arrived yesterday from the Orient, reads like the table of contents of a dime novel.

One day out from San Francisco a Chinese passenger jumped overboard and was drowned.

Another Chinese passenger was claimed as the victim of a Tong war before the ship reached Honolulu. He had sought to save his life by flight from San Francisco's Chinatown, but a gunman from the enemy's ranks sailed with him on the Korea and found an opportunity to fire the fatal bullet. The slayer is held by the Federal authorities at Honolulu.

Before the liner left that port another Chinese made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide and a day later still another Chinese jumped overboard to his death.

At Yokohama, on the homeward voyage, a Japanese peddler plunged a knife into the back of Andrew Benussi, a watchman on the ship. The peddler fled, but was captured on another ship in the harbor. Bennussi recovered.

On December 9th E. C. Miller, a cabin passenger from Manila, was giving his two-year-old son a bath, when he accidentally turned on the hot water. The child was scalded so badly that he died an hour later.

GIRL ACCUSES MINISTER

Rev. W. J. Hubbard Charged With Wronging Inmate of Asylum

Charleston, W. Va., December 17.—Virginia officials were today called upon to arrest and hold for extradition Rev. W. J. Hubbard, charged with criminal relations with an 11-year-old inmate of the Davis Child's Shelter, of this city, of which institution Hubbard was superintendent until a few days ago.

Hubbard is supposed to be visiting relatives at Broadway, Va. That Hubbard had wronged her and had threatened to kill her if she told anyone was the startling story told to the matron by the girl, whose name is withheld.

Hubbard left several days ago. At a meeting of the directors it was decided to sever his connection with the institution. Today the girl told her story, and immediately a warrant was issued for Hubbard's arrest.

The Davis Child's Shelter is maintained by former Senator Henry G. Davis to care for homeless children and place them in homes. There are at present 35 inmates.

HONOR CONVICTS HUNT OTHERS

Two Broke Pledges And Fled From A Road Camp

Globe, Ariz., December 17.—Posses composed of "honor system" convicts are scouring Gila, Graham and Pinal counties in search of two other convicts who broke their pledges yesterday and fled from the road camp in the Pinal mountains.

The men who escaped were Manuel Gutlerrez, a life termer, and a Papago Indian under sentence for horse-stealing.

"An Official Appointment."

Magnificent Vitagraph production at the Grand Theatre today. Three other good pictures. (advertisemnt.)

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

American National Bank—New Gold.
People's Savings Bank—New Gold and Silver.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Help.
Wanted—Printer.
For Sale—Flowers.
For Sale—Automobile.
Wanted—Housekeeper.
J. Irving Bear—For Sale.
For Rent—Nine-Room House.
Palace Market—Pork Sausage.
Miss Lucy Moore—Poinsettias.
Wanted—Unfurnished Rooms.
Miss Lucy B. Moore—Fern Dishes.
Miss Lucy B. Moore—Flowers for Xmas.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head, One Cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, One Cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, a Western Union Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for collecting the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly Messenger Service calls will be made, or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams; bills rendered to suit the sender, daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call "Western Union." But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

AUTOMOBILE for sale, One Buick model 17, touring car. Box 810, City. de19-1t

FLOWERS for Christmas. Blooming hyacinths and narcissus in pots; also ferns, attractively wrapped for gifts. Cut flowers; funeral designs. 416 South Second street; 'phone 779-W. de19-1t*

MITCHELL ROADSTER for sale. Completely equipped, top, curtains, wind shield, shock absorbers, tools, horn, prest-o-lite tank, engine-driven tire pump, two spare tires, three extra inner tubes, tire holder, 32x4 tire on rear wheels; 33x3 1-2 tires on front wheels. All tires in good condition. This car has been driven less than 10,000 miles, and is in excellent shape. A. B. Skelding, 326 South Third street. de19-1t*

MISS LUCY B. MOORE, Florist, invites the public to the greenhouses, 15th and Market, to see the beautiful scarlet Poinsettas in full bloom. de19-1t

FLOWERS FOR XMAS—Roses, carnations, double violets, Easter lilies, calla lilies, poinsetta blooms and plants. Lucy B. Moore, Florist, Greenhouses, 15th and Market. de19-1t

FERN DISHES for Xmas. Several hundred varieties of ferns; also all kinds of blooming plants; holly and galax wreaths. Place your orders now. Lucy B. Moore. de19-1t

FOR SALE—Brand new cottage house, modern and up-to-date in every respect, located No. 706 Orange street. Will be finished and ready for occupancy about December 20th. J. Irving Bear, Real Estate, Insurance. 'Phone 443. de19-3t

FOR RENT—One 9-room house, all modern improvements, at 811 Dock street. Apply next door, or 218 Market street; 'phone 194. R. W. Hodges. de19-3t

ALL PORK country sausage. We have the very best variety in city. Everything good to eat. We are taking orders for Xmas turkeys, corned hams, etc. Place your orders to be sure. Palace Market. 'phone 72. de19-1t

SPRING CHICKENS—We have several hundred head which make us overstocked, and compelled to sell way below the market price. We have all sizes. Phone 1908, L. T. New. de19-1t

TABLE BUTTER, 30c. lb.; fresh eggs, 30c.; Baldwin apples, 40c. peck; layer raisins, 10c.; granulated sugar, 6c.; 12-lb. T. W. flour, 40c.; 4-lb. bucket Cottolene, 55c.; large, fine yam sweet potatoes, 85c. bushel. 'Phone 1938. L. T. New. de19-1t

HELP WANTED — Start now. No need to wait until Jan. 1st before commencing to make money. See Mr. Arlen, 10 to 1, Thursday, Dec. 19th. Colonial Inn. de19-1t*

HOLLY! HOLLY! I am filling orders daily for green, well berried holly, to my Wilmington customers. Have your order? $1.25 per box. W. A. Corbett, Atkinson, N. C. de19-1t*

WANTED—By family of three, three or four unfurnished rooms, on first floor, in good location. Address Mrs. J. L. King, Richlands, N. C. de19-1t

HOUSEKEEPER wanted at Columbus Hotel, Whiteville, N. C., January 1st, 1913, or will lease to desirable party. Oscar High, Whiteville, N. C. de19,20,22,24-4t

PRINTER WANTED — One that can do first-class newspaper and job work. Apply quick, stating experience and wages expected. J. C. Hardy, Scotland Neck, N. C. de19-2t

THE CHRISTMAS TREES—We have a fine lot just received by New York steamer. C. B. Bellois, 16 North Second street; 'phone 1576. de18,19,21-3t*

ROOMS WANTED—Three or four rooms wanted for light housekeeping, unfurnished rooms preferred. Reply "W. E. C." care Star. de18-2t

WANTED AT ONCE — White man 21 years of age or over, to drive tank wagon. Apply Standard Oil Company, foot Brunswick street. de18-2t

WANTED — Riveters and pipe fitters. State experience and where last employed. Address Fayetteville Ice and Mfg. Co., Fayetteville, N. C. de18-2t

PATRONIZE the Delicatessen. A full line of groceries, nuts, raisins, mince meat, plum pudding and everything good for your Christmas dinner. B. May, 120 Market street, 'Phone 1322. de18-6t

MORE WOOD—My slab wood is getting very short, now, but "Oh You" oak, ash and pine. Call the same old 'phone, 431, and we will get a wiggle on to deliver your wood. M. H. Croom, Southwest corner Water and Chestnut. de1-tf

GUNS OF ALL MAKES — Remingtons, Ithacas, A. H. Fox, Parker, and L. C. Smith, at a bargain at Uncle Charles' Pawn Shop, 16 South Front street. Look for the yellow front. oc8-tf

FOR SALE — Everything good to eat Quail, turkey, New River and Norfolk oysters, all styles; club sandwiches a specialty. We have the cleanest place in town. Come in. The Everglade. Tom and Frank Shepard. no24-tf

FOR SALE at a bargain. Five-passenger E. M. F. 30 touring car, in good condition and fully equipped. Will sell or exchange for real estate. Address "Bargain," care Star. de5-tf

WANTED—Locomotive engineer for logging woods. Experienced and strictly sober. Whiteville Lumber Co., Whiteville, N. C. de15-6t

YOU WANT the top market for your eggs, poultry, pork, beef or anything you have. Ship to R. B. Moore & Co., wholesale produce, commission merchants, 117 N. Water. oc27-tf

WOOD — For good, well-seasoned dry wood, as well as shingles, laths, cypress and juniper boat lumber, call W. W. Koch Shingle Mill. 'Phone 346. de13-6t*

45TH SERIES B. & L. stock opens January 1st, 1913. Mechanics' Home Association. Walker Taylor, President; L. Stein, Vice-President; W. M. Cumming, Secretary and Treasurer. no30-out,su-tf

THE GILBERT HOUSE—Combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets, junction of all cars. Electric lights and hot water. Steam heat. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Transient, $1.25 to $1.50 per day. Rates to regular and table boarders. de8-1mo

OAK, PINE, ASH and blackjack, soft and chestnut coal; also lightwood and slabs sawed in foot lengths. Call 'phone 636 for prices. Quick service. Consumers Wood & Coal Co. no28-tf

WHY USE cold storage eggs? When you can get fresh country eggs? We have them; also North Carolina hams. We have everything for the fruit cake. 'Phone us your orders. Tripp & Holden. de18-2t*

WILL PAY YOU to look over our line of watches, diamonds and jewelry of all kinds. You will save money by seeing Uncle Charles, at 16 South Front street. de18-tf

CLOVER BLOOM butter, fresh stock, 37½ cents, this week. Pig brains, extra nice beef, lamb, pork and veal. Fresh oysters every day; all kinds of fruits, vegetables, etc. We are taking orders for Xmas turkeys. We want more business. Palace Market. 'Phone 72. de17-tf

GOOD DINNER—Daily from 12 to 3, 35c.; get everything good to eat any time. Cooking and service unexcelled. Open from 6 A. M. to 12 P. M. Savage & Savage, 5 Princess street. de13-1mo

PHOTO SHOP — Christmas portraits a specialty. Quality unexcelled. Prices $1.00 to $30.00 dozen. Prompt delivery. Front and Princess Streets; phone 884. Dushan & Hodges, Proprietors. no28-1mo

MECHANICS' HOME Association. New series B. & L. stock, January 1st, 1913. 109 Princess street. no30-out su-tf

WANTED AT ONCE—100 to 500 cords short leaf pine. Address Box 187, Wilmington, N. C. oc31-tf

FOR SALE—At rare bargain for quick turn-over, E. M. F. Roadster, Model 1912. Going to be sold at once. Apply 114 Princess street, or 'phone 771. oc23-tf

WANTED TO BUY, in car lots, for cash, red cedar boards or squares. McEwen Lumber Company, Azalea, N. C. no22-1m*

FOR RENT—From October 1st, store and cart house, corner Seventh and Market streets. An old established stand. One of the best in city. Apply to Eduard Ahrens, care Ahrens Bros. se6-tf

ANY YOUNG LADY who wishes to take a business college course will find it to her interest to write at once to Littleton College, Littleton, N. C., for special Christmas offer. Every young woman who has satisfactorily completed this course at Littleton College now has a good position, and positions are guaranteed to all graduates of this department. de17-tf

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STATEMENT CONDITION

The Murchison National Bank
OF WILMINGTON, N. C.,
At the Close of Business November 20th, 1912.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	$4,326,202.83
U. S. Bonks (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	73,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	147,717.50
Cash and Due by Banks	1,459,710.18
	$6,557,630.51

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	527,843.18
Circulation	550,000.00
Special Deposit, U. S. Bonds	100,000.00
Deposits	4,554,787.33
	$6,557,630.51

DEPOSITS:

November 26th, 1908	$2,971,816.82
November 26th, 1910	4,144,960.07
November 26th, 1912	4,554,787.33

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279 Boxes L. L. Raisins.
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97 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
29 Boxes Brazil Nuts.
72 Boxes Oranges.
67 Bbls Apples.
15 Bbls Stick Candy.
40 Pails Mixed Candy.
61 Pails Love Drops.
37 Pails C. C. Ices.
29 Pails Chocolate Drops.

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100 Barrels Apples.
100 Crates Oranges.
100 Sacks Cocoanuts.
300 Boxes Raisins.
75 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
1500 Pounds Brazil Nuts.
150 Boxes Stick Candy.
75 Boxes Mixed Candy.
50 Tubs Broken Mixed Candy.
25 Pails Crescent Creams.
25 Pails Creamed Peanut.
25 Pails Butter Kisses.
50 Pails Cocoa Ices.
50 10-pound tubs G. M. Butter.
100 20-pound Daisy Cheese.
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